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Argentine imports banned

All imports from Argentina into Britain were banned from midnight last night. The embargo was announced by Mrs Thatcher in the House of Commons. All import licences were revoked with immediate effect but appliimmediate effect but appli-cations from British importers for licences to import goods which were in transit before the ban came into effect will be given special consideration. Page 5

Naval forces rendezvous

Part of the British naval force bound for the Falk-lands were in rendezvous in the South Western ap-proaches yesterday. At the same time HMS invincible, one of the two carriers, began bringing its Harrier jets and Sea King helicopters to full operational capacity

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Air superiority may be crucial

Air superiority could be crucial in determining any confrontation between British and Argentaine forces in the South Atlantic. but achieving it could present Royal Navy commanders with their greatest problems Fage 4

Expatriates fearful

British expatriates in Buenos Aires are afraid of what the future has in store for them. The easy atmosphere which they enjoyed has disappeared and they wonder whether their days in Argentina may shortly be over

Oil a key factor

Oil is now emerging as a key factor in any prospective agreement which might be reached between Britain. Argentine and the United States for resolving the Falkland Islands crisis Page 4



Osvaldo Ardiles, the Argentine who plays for Tottenham Hotspur, arriving at Buenos Aires air-port to play for Argentina in the World cup. He said be fully backed the Fal-klands invasion.

Falklands crisis Parliament United States role Maps confiscated; Diary 10 Leading article, letters 11 Frank Johnson

Licensed to drill

Oil production licences covering some of the prettiest parts of Dorset, Someset, and the Hampshire-Sussex border were issued by Mr Nigel Lawson, Secretary for Energy, to a consortium of small companies Page 13

Haig warning:

States Secretary of State, said Page 7

Strike pact blow

Hopes that the Government might negotiate a "no strike pact" with any of the powerful public sector unions were dashed when the Electrical Power Engineers' Association decided to oppose any such agreement Page 2

Leader page, 11 Letters: On the Falklands, from Gen Sir Robert Ford, and others; glue-sniffing, from Mr N. C. MacDonald church unity, from Lord Leading articles: Falklands:

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Henry Fairlie describes the pro-British surge in Washington over the Falklands crisis; Labour's many-sided ballot box; 45 years of The Dandy. Obituary, page 12 Mr Martin Battersby, fessor Norman Haycocks

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Government's new assessment

not know of Falklands invasion'

The Government believes British intelligence was oper-that the invasion of the aung properly, and, if so, falkland Islands by Argentina what action was taken, and may have been carried out by Mr David Steel, the Liberal may have been carried out by nationalist-minded admirals leader, recalled that Mr Luce against the wished of President Galtieri and without his ment receiving a warning of an attack "about a fortnight" foreknowledge. This accounts, it was suggested yesterday, for what in retro-

spect is clearly seen as a defective assessment of intelligence available in London.

The Argentine fleet was reported on March 29 to have put to sea for joint manoeuvres with the Uruguayan Navy, which had ment was imposing an emfrequently been held in the bargo on the import of all past. Before they sailed goods from the Argentine intelligence sources in Bue from midnight last night.

nos Aires made known their Mrs Thatcher declined a imminent denarture as re-

Secretary.
But not till March 31—two

But not till March 31—two debates in which Mr Francis days before the invasion did it become clear to the intelligence sources, it is now claimed, that the Argentine contingent had broken off the manoeuvres and was steaming at full speed for the Falkland Islands 400 miles today in a further full day or debates in which Mr Francis Pym, 48 hours after his approximent as Foreign Secretary, will open for the Government. Mr John Nott, the Defence Secretary, will wind up.

That evening, Mrs Thatch- upset by Benn er called a crisis meeting in her room at the Commons.

Last night Mr No

it was too late to take tary seats.
miliatary action to forestall U.Mr Wedgewood Benn yesit. Instead moves were begun terday upset a painstaking to gather diplomatic support attempt to achieve a united to gather diplomatic support and to notify our allies that there would be a military riposte. The exercise to secure support for Britain in the Security Council was put in hand and preparations were made for the task force to sail as soon possible.

Time for resolution says Mrs Thatcher

In the Commons yesterday, ated his colleagues on the Mrs Thatcher confirmed that party's international commarch 31— was the precise ing of the naval task force to time at which she learnt that the South Atlantic and insist the Argentian invasion fleet ing on a vote on the issue, in the south Atlantic and insist the Argentian invasion fleet which he was defeated by was on its way. She was pressed by Mr Michael Foot, the leader of the opposition, to comment on the report in The Times yesterday from Simon Winchester in Buenos Aires that information about The Times yesterday from amendment proposing that Simon Winchester in Buenos Labour should oppose the Aires that information about the attack was transmitted to he said, could lead to blood-A proposed freeze on new nuclear weapons would place western civilization at risk and increase the likelihood of global devastation, Mr Alexander Haig, the United States Secretary of States

From Christopher Thomas Buenos Aires, April 6

Argentina appears to be

making extensive contin-

gency plans against what it sees as a serious possibility of a British attempt to bombard key military posts

It is admitting an enormons build-up of military personnel and hardware on the Falkland Islands. Some

big Army basis in Argentina are now virtually empty.

Military sources said today

that they were fully confident of resisting any British

attack on the Falklands. The land forces would theoreti-

cally have a huge built-in

advantage over attackers coming from the sea and

Britain would require 15,000

The sources thought that

Galtieri 'did

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

Mrs Thatcher replied that Mrs Thatcher repued that they knew there were prob-lems on South Georgia, but the threat to Port Stanley and the Falkland Islands came to her on March 31. Mrs Thatcher also told the Commons that the Govern-

nos Aires made known their imminent departure, as reported in The Times yester day. Their movements at sea were also noted and reported—the daily intelligence digests prepared for the Prime Minister, the Foreign gays after the angry debate secretary and the Defence Secretary.

But not till March 31—two debates in which Mr Francis

Labour unity

Last night Mr Nott, who made a disastrous speech on Lord Carrington, the Poreign made a disastrous speech on Secretary unforewarned of the reality of the crisis, was at a crowded meeting of the conservative backbench defined and the conservative backbench defined a in Tel Aviv having left London the previous evening. The Prime Minister consulted for five hours, until nearly midnight, with Mr Humphrey Atkins, Lord Carrington's deputy, and with Mr Richard Luce, the Foreign Office Minister of State who was dealing with the Falklands. Also present the Falklands. Also present were not high. The backbenchers' mood was described as hawkish, with were, Sir Anthony Acland, who is to take over as who spoke apparently antions for action.

Mr Lavid Steel, the Liberal week, Sir Frank Cooper, Leader, is working on the

week, Sir Frank Cooper, Leader, is working on the Permanent Under-Secretary assumption that the crisis for Defence, and Admiral Sir may destroy the Government. Henry Leach, the Chief of In cases of an early general Naval Staff. For the first time it was party negotiators to complete clear to the ministers and quickly their negotiations their advisers that the in, with the Social Democrats on vasion was imminent and that the sharing out of parliamen-

Labour Party attitude to the invasion of the Falklands and in so doing exposed a serious split in the left over the recover the territories (Philip.

Webs:er writes). As it emerged that the Labour leadership's position in today's Commons debate will be that force as a last resort if all else fails should be backed. Mr Benn infuriated his colleagues on the party's international com-mittee by opposing the sendwhich he was defeated by only one vote.

Mr Benn incensed some at the meeting by moving an

He ignored an appeal from Miss Joan Lestor, the committee chairman, to withdraw it in the interests of preserving the consensus that had been arrived at. The amendant the ment was defeated and the Mr Foot said the House committee then went on to had the right to judge if pass by 11 votes to nil.



£2,100m off shares and pound tumbles

By David Blake, Economics Editor

The pound and shares both fell sharply yesterday as push up raw material costs concern mounted about the and lead to a new surge in mpact of Britain's dispute prices. The Government was with Argentina.

Sterling closed at its lowest bringing the exchange rate

level against the dollar since down to a lower level for fear September 1977, down 1.85 that it would cause a 1976-cents at \$1.7495. Its effective style run on the pound. rate against all currencies
was down to 89.4 per cent of
its 1975 level, a drop of 0.9
percentage points. The Bank
of England spent an estimated \$100m (£57m) slowing

A drop against the

down the slide.

Shares were marked down heavily early in a day that are thought to have particushowed signs of a panic larly good implications for reaction. At one stage the FT Britain's chance 14 compete 30 chances the that fallen 17.6 in world markets. A small points feet 542.3, but it later devaluation of sterling could recovered to close 6.9 points lead to stronger British down at 553.0. £2,100m was exports and lower important prints off the value of shares about the large industrial wiped off the value of shares thus

y the close. recovery.

Gilts also fell sharply and Other implications of the interest rates in the medium-term market edged up. There economy. In the short term, also a sharp surge in the gold price, which closed \$11.75 up at \$349.50.

Some extra defence spending on items such as fuel and stores,

The Government has decided not to use Britain's reserves of foreign exchange to prop up the pound. Any intervention in the markets by the Bank of England will violent fluctuations.

Even before the Falkands crisis blew up, the Treasury had been reconciled to a devaluation of the pound in effective terms of about 5 per cent. But a bigger drop than that, unless caused in a way london's status as an inght. But london's status as an international financial control to reverse recent cuts in defence spending, especially in the navy. Industry will be little affected by the ban on imports from Argentina announced last night. But london's status as an international financial control to reverse recent cuts in defence spending, especially in the navy. which would not boost in-flation, would be resisted by be harmed by the freezing of of higher interest Argentine assets.

Britain's gold and foreign currency reserves stand at about \$19,000m. The Governmemt thinks it would be a waste of that money to use it propping up the pound. Any measures to defend sterling will take the form of higher interest rates in the United Kingdom. There are no plans to re-introduce exchange

controls.
Although sterling's effecstyle exchange rate has been stable at about 90 per cent of its 1975 level for many months, the Government has not been pursuing that level as a target. An exchange rate slightly above 85 per cent of slightly above 85 per cent of its 1975 level is thought to pose few inflationary risks.

out on patrol'

By Craig Seton and Henry Stanhope

Four of the six hunter-killer boats normally based at Devonport are said to be "out on patrol", including HMS Superb which is assumed by now to be in the Falkland Islands. waters. The others are her 4,500-ton sister Swiftsure-class submarines Sceptre, Spartan and Splen-

Meanwhile it was disclosed that 650 men of the 3rd a Parliamentary Under-Battalion of the Parachute Secretary at the Foreign have dried up and there have Regiment, currently the Army's spearhead unit, are to sail on the requisitioned helping industrial

though the cost of this is notyet known. No decision will be taken

until later in the financial year on whether this justifies the Bank of England will increasing the defence limited to smoothing out budget. There will also be renewed pressure to reverse

Finance Bill, page 24



Huge build-up of men and arms

Britain would welcome islanders

All the 1,800 Falkland Islanders would be welcome in Britain, even though some of them do mongn some or mem do not have the automatic right of abide in the United Kingdom, the Home Office said yesterday, Most of the islanders are citizens of the United Kingdom and Colonies, but about 300 of them and

their children do not have the automatic right to live permanently in Britain under the present immi-gration rules because neither their parents nor grandparents were born in Britain. The Home Office, however, said that in view of the situation they would all be admitted if the need

has largely given way to deep concern at the prospects of military confrontation. The Soviet Union, which relies heavily on Argentine grain has fermall; expressed conto 6,000 Argentines who soon would be in position on the Falklands. cern to the military junta

Supplies.
That would have a disas-The sources thought that Britain's greatest problem would be inferiority in the air and lack of logistical exports, and is Argentina's grain exports, and is Argentina's support for its ships.

The euphoria that gripped biggest trade partner.

Argentina after the invasion The grain composed The grain composed mostly

of corn, is being harvested at the moment and is scheduled for shipment in the next few

Mr Alexei Manzhulo, the Soviet Deputy Minister of Foreign Trade, who is in Buenos Aires to negotiate increased trade between the countries, expressed alarm at the possible disruption of Soviet-chartered grain

The Soviet Union buys 38 Falklands (Reuter reports).

per cent of all Argentine exports and trade between the countries totals \$3,400m the first time.

(£1,880m) a year. Only \$67m worth of that is represented by Argentine imports and the Soviet Union is putting strong pressure on the junta substantially to increase imports, particularly of heavy machine goods and power supply equipment. The Argentine military

preparations are concentrated at Comodoro Rivadavia, a port about 900 miles south of Buenos Aires which was used as the bridgehead Newspapers in Buenos Aires are still adopting a jingoistic approach to the crisis. The official news agency, Telan, today released a story about the alleged discovery of drugs in the barracks used by the British Marines. The headline said: "Examples of decadence of the British Empire".

☐ Moscow: Tass blamed Britain for the dispute saying that it should have withdrawn from the

4 nuclear submarines

As many as four British nuclear-powered submarines could be on the way to the Fakland Islands — or already there.

cruise liner, Canberra.

Shore leave has been cancelled for sailors from six frigates which returned to Plymouth yesterday after the exercise Spring Train. It is expected that at least some and possibly all six — HMS Battleaxe, Euryalus, Aurora, Dido, Active and Ariadne — will be refuelled and resupp lied, then turned round again and sent after the other ships of the Falkland Islands task

The 6,000-ton logistic landing ships Sir Galahad and Sir Geraint sailed from Plymouth carrying Royal Marines and supporting Army units from the Royal Engineers and Royal Artillery with 105mm light guns. Trucks and helicopters could also be seen on deck as they left before a waving crowd of several hundred families.

At Portsmouth, the County Class destroyer Fife was said to be undergoing prepara-tions to put to sea. But then everywhere was a scene of frantic endeavour as the Royal Navy fought to get the rest of its massive task force to sea in time.

The call to arms was not universally endorsed. Shipyard workers who were asked to sail yesterday on HMS Fearless with the Royal Marines to complete unfinished work, refused on the grounds no-one could tell them when they would return and the work will now have and the work will now have to be finished by sailors.

Seafaring unions have also complained of lack of consultation over the requisitioning of ships for the task force and a meeting of the Mari-time Board agreed that the men involved in crewing the ships should be given com-pensation totalling 150 per cent of their basic earnings. News of their disconten coincided with a report that Britain's biggest and most powerful tug, the Salvageman of Hull, had been taken over by the Government to assis

in the operation. At Southampton Docks police imposed tight security as heavy military equipmen including Scorpion light tanks were trundled into the port to await shipment.

The Scorpions were be-lieved to belong to two reconnaissance troops of the Blues and Royals, one of the two Household Cavalry regi-ments. They were being loaded on the 8,500-ton rollon roll-off container ship Elk, which normally plies the North Sea route to Sweden from Middlesbrough, but which has now been requi-sitioned from P and O Lines.

Reporters described a scene of impressive activity continued on back page, col 1

Peer to takeover trade ministry

By Anthony Bevins Political Correspondent

The Prime Minister last night announced the apoint-ment of Lord Cookfield, a former civil servant with the Board of Inland Revenue. and former chairman of the Price Commission, as Secretary of State for Trade.
Lord Cookfield, who replaces Mr John Biffen, the new Leader of the Commons, is promoted from his post as Minister of State at the Treasury.

The new Cabinet minister is 65 and his appointmnte, one of 11 announced from Downing Street last night, completes the Government changes caused by this week's Foreign Office resignations.

Two other changes of title were announced by the Prime Minister. Lady Young, the leader of the LOrds, relinquishes the office of Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and takes up the new title of Lord Privy Seal, an office freed on the resignation of Mr Humphrey Atkins from the Foreign

Anothe Cabinet Minister, Mr Cecil Parkinson, Pay-master General, also becomes Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster. He remains chairman of the Conservative Party, but MPs last night noted with interest that Mrs Thatcher had made her decision on whether to put him in charge of Government Propaganda in place of Mr

The Prime Minister also announced four further changes at the Foreign Office. Lord Belstead has been promoted from Parliamentary Under-Secretary at the Home Office to become the Home Office to become Minister of State at the Foreign Office. He will be joined by Mr Cranley Onslow, promoted from the backbenches, as the fourth minister of state in the

department.
Mr Douglas Hurd, Minister
of State under Lord Carrington, becomes the departmen-tal number two, and Mr Neil Marten remains Minister of State with responsibility for overseas development and

the Office under Lord Carrington, is transferred to the Department of Health and Social Security, as a Parlia-mentary Under-Secretary, and is replaced by Mr Malcolm Rifkind, Edinburgh, Pentiands, a Parliamentary Under-Secretary from the Scottish Office.

Another promotion has gone to Mr John Wakeham, Maldon, who switches from Parliamentary Under-Secretary at the Department of Industry to replace Lord Cockfield.

Lord Belstead is replaced by Lord Elton as Parliamen-tary Under-Secretary at the Home Office.

Hug a tree to save a forest

From Trevor Fishlock Delhi, April 6

In poignant defiance of contractors wrecking the forests of India, villagers have taken to hugging trees to save them from axes and

chainsaws.

The Chipko movement —
Chipko is the Hindi word for hug — is a symptom of growing concern about the widespread and indisciminate widespread and indisciminate has been as forests and the destruction of forests and the resulting increase in flooding and landslips.
Vast tracts of the Hima-

layas and other regions have been laid waste by contrac-tors who bribe the officials whose job is to protect the forests. A government official says India is heading for an ecological disaster. By wrapping their bodies

around trees when cutters approach, villagers draw attention to what is widely seen as unscrupulous plundering. In 30 years, according to official estimates, India has lost more than 17,000 square miles of forest, an area greater than Holland. The actual loss may be greater than this. In the Himalayan belt, from Kashmir to Assam, once covered with majestic forests, the slopes have been denuded below 6,000ft.

A recent estimate put India's forests at 135,000 square miles, about a tenth of the country. It makes a mockery of the 1952 forest policy which aimed to raise the forest cover from a fifth to a third of the land area. Although most of the great forest areas have suffered, the damage has been most

serious in the north. The government of the state of Kashmir recently admitted that a number of famous forests had been obliterated. In the neighbouring mountain state of Himachal Pra-desh the tree cover, two fifths 20 years ago, has been halved. There is even worse damage in parts of Uttar Pradesh along the southern

lopes of Nepal. Without tree cover the topsoil is being washed away, leaving large stretches of land barren and increasing the silting and flood potential of the great rivers which are the arteries of the northern

been more avalanches. Scientists have protested that the ecological systems of forest areas are being ruined.
A rapidly growing popu lation, human and animal, is making severe demands on forest areas. There is a shortage of timber and of firewood, the most important cooking fuel. The need for timber is being met by contractors whose devestations have not been countered or made good by the government. The emphasis

has been neglected. Continued on back page, col 1

has been on making money

out of trees, while replanting

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NEWS IN SUMMARY

'Mountain' of railway arrears

If the Government approved electrification nown the railways might not be able to implement it, Sir Peter Parker, British Rail chairman, said yesterday (Michael Baily). That was because the railways were facing a mountain of arrears

in necessary expenditure.
Addressing a rally of rail pensioners at Euston, Sir Peter declared that present railway policies could be regretted in the longer term. British Rail had hit all its targets in the past five years but "we can meet our financial targets and still fail

His warning was echoed by Sir Henry Johnson, a former railway chairman, he said that with the most cost effective railway in Europe
Britain was failing to apply
consistent policies and investment. The public were
getting angry and railwaymen were blamed.

Appealing to the Govern-

ment to help the railways after the recent "shattering setback", the chairman of the pensioners, Mr Frank Hick, a former railway oper-ator, said: "We have watched with great sadness the cur-rent dispute and tearing apart of our railway inherit-

MPs to protest against Reagan

A group of Labour MPs yesterday announced plans to dub President Reagan "an enemy of peace" during his visit to Britain in June. They have formed a Reagan Recep-tion Committee, already backed by Mr Wedgwood Benn and more than 30 other Labour MPs, to organize protests during his visit.

MPs are expected to join pickets against the President at Heathrow, Windsor Castle and the United States Embersion

bassy. When he is received by both Houses of Parliament on June 8, the "reception committee" plans an alterna-tive meeting in Parliament's gr and committee room.

Mr Ernest Roberts, the

committee chairman, said in London the group did not regard the American people as an enemy, but that Mr Reagan was "an enemy of His motive with his Falklands initiative was to avoid a war in his own backyard, Mr Roberts, MP for Hackney, North, Stoke Newington, said.

Benefit cut for school-leavers

Up to 350,000 families will lose child benefit this sumaffecting school-leavers. Mr 113 of the Rules of the Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, announced yesterday that child benefit will be with-drawn for any school-leaver getting either a place on a action.
Youth Opportunities Programme or a full-time job during school holiday periods (Pat Healey writes). In a to go to court to recover written answer yesterday Mr Fowler said it was difficult to justify continuing payment pation. In 1975 the managejustify continuing payment pation. In 1975 the manage-of child benefit for young ment were shut out for six people who got full-time work during the holidays. were ejected.

Power engineers dash hopes for strike pact

By Donald Macinytre, Labour Correspondent Prospects of the present could embody a no-strike

Mr Aldous told delegates

and managers were becoming "the meat in the sandwich" between board members and

manual workers.

Mr Nigel Lawson, Secretary of State for Energy,

who cancelled a visit to York because of yesterday's emergency Cabinet meeting, escaped what would almost certainly have been a rough

ride from delegates angry about the dismissal of Mi

By Paul Routledge

Industrial action that could spread throughout the min-

ing industry is being planned over the fate of a single pit in the militant Kent coalfield.

pits scheduled for closure under the coal board's accel-

that was abandoned a year ago in the face of a national

Coal board mining engi

neers agreed then to investi-

have discovered a rich mea-

strike threat.

Government negotiating a no-strikes agreement with the protecting the earnings of bigger public sector groups the union's members, he bigger public sector groups were extinguished yesterday said, when delegates of the Electrical Power Engineers' Association, whose 38,000 members had not since assuming control supplies to the office come up with any firm National Grid, voted over-proposals for a no-strike pact whelmingly "not to enter in he believed they might do so to any agrement with the in the next year or so in an employing boards that reattempt to buy popularity moves the right to strike."

The move came as the union's conference in York was told by Mr John Lyons, the general secretary, that industrial action was "very possibly unavoidable" if the Electricity Council failed to maintain pay differentials enjoyed by engineers and managers over the industry's 90,000 manual workers.

The power engineers' association, one of the most powerful and moderate of TUC-affiliated unions, is thought to have been almost the only one to take up informally the idea of a no-strike deal when it was floated by the Opposition during the 1978 to 1979 "winter of discontent."

Only a few hands were raised yesterday againt te call to oppose such a pact, proposed by Mr Tony Aldous, of the union's head-quarters branch. Mr Aldous said it would be wrong for the union "to sell the right to strike for 30 pieces of silver".

Backing the anti-pact motion, Mr Lyons said: "We have never set out to hold the country to ransom over greedy pay claims. However, when you see how the employers behave when you have the right to strike, how do you imagine they would carry on if you were without

legal arrangement

Firm seeks Mine strike to regain threat factory to save pit

By Clifford Webb

Massey Ferguson will apply to the High Court today for an order to regain possession of its Coventry tractor plant from striking pickets who have barricaded themselves inside and refused to admit management and staff for the past week. Summons were served on

shop stewards and members of the strike committee at the factory gates yesterday. A company representative also announced through a loud hailer that application was being made to a judge in chambers today under Order factory gates yesterday. A factory gates yesterday yesterday yesterday yesterday yesterday yesterday. A factory gates yesterday yesterda Supreme Court. That deals with the recovery of premises from squatters. None of the unions involved is likely to contest the company's

It will be the third time in seven years that the Cana-dian-owned company has had

sure ranging from 5ft to 8ft in thickness, just 40yds farther down. An application to go into those reserves will be con-sidered on April 22, and the miners hope that the development scheme will be ap-proved. If it is not, and the Hugh Jones is incurable. pit is put back on the closure list, Kent area miners will stop for on an undisclosed date to attend "action meetings" at which proposals to extent the stoppage will be discussed, and almost cer-

tainly approved. Mr Jack Collins, secretary. of the Kent area, made clear yesterday that an extended stoppage in the coalfield would be spread rapidly to other areas through flying

Kent miners will also seek the sacking of the union's national executive under its new president, Mr Arthur Scargill, who was elected on a "no pit closure for econ-comradeship and partnership



wife of a Coventry schoolmaster who is expecting test tube twins. For Mrs Satwinder Duncan, aged 24, whose husband Mr Carlton Duncan, is the deputy head of Sidney Stringer Community College in Coventry, was unsuccessful with two previous implants at the Cambridgeshire clinic of Mr Patrick Steptoe, pioneer of the test-tube baby technique.

Now a hospital scan has confirmed

that Mrs Duncan, married for five years, will give birth to twins early in September. She said yesterday: "Its September. She said yesterday: "Its delightful news and a dream coming true. I will have three.

about me dismissal of Mr Glyn England, chairman of the Central Electricity Gener-ation Board, and about the Government's plan to sell off part of the electricity supply industry. The couple, who live in Aldbury Rise, Coventry, recently adopted a boy aged three. Mr Duncan said: "The first two implants cost £1,600 each and the final one £1,800. But it is well worth every

Later this month he takes over as

It could be third time lucky for the headmaster of a 1,000 papil school i

The Steptoe clinic is maintaining i usual confidentiality by refusing t discuss whether there are any other test-tube twins on the way in Britain.

Only a small proportion of attempts to implant a fertilized ovum the uterus are successful, (Our Medic Correspondent writes). In order increase the likelihood of success son gynaecologists are now using more the one ovum at a time. This will result in higher than normal incidence of twi More than one attempt can be made implantation but each requires patient to be admitted to hospital fir-ten days for laparascopy and other checks. As the cost on each occasion in the private sector, is about £2.00 financial rather than medical considerations are likely to be the prohibiting factor.

Labour group praise for TUC Europe view

Area leaders of the National Union of Mineworkers have drawn up plans for an immediate 24-hour being influenced by the more strike if the National Coal realistic attitude now being adopted by the TUC general Board does not approve a £3m development scheme to

Birmingham, Small and Labour fro and Labour frontbench spokesman on the environerated shutdown programme ment and sport, says in a preface that as the research departments of the party and of the TUC begin to assemble the facts, a disturbing differgate possible reserves below the existing seam, which is nearing exhaustion, and they

the right questions about options and alternatives, so essential if we are to state with clarity and conviction the means by which British jobs can be maintained and British prosperity assured after we have left the EEC."
The pampblet argues that

withdrawal could push unem-ployment up to five million, due to a loss of export trade and of investments, and disagrees with the claim by Labour opponents of the EEC that Labour must take Britain out of the Community if it is to pursue the alternative economic strategy. "These arguments are based on ignorance, xeno-phobia and a blind refusal to accept facts," it states.

Mr Howell emphasozes that omic reasons" ticket. Miner's sponsored MPs would also be asked to give their support.

The miners of Kent are the first to attempt to halt the coal board's closure programme at local level.

The property is comradeship and partnership with all democratic socialists in Europe. "It is now clear form the policies being pursued in France that our economic programme in no way conflicts with our membership of the EEC", he

The prospects of Labour's states. The group's greatest policy on withdrawal from misgivings are about settling the European Community these issues in the course of these issues in the course of an election campaisate. He ever there was a recommendate of the disaster, it is the Market Howell says.

Discussing the TUC's attitude, the panphley points out that the general council had said that its study would 'examine in detail the scop Heath, for radical amendments to the Treaty [of Rome] in order to change the deirection of the Community".

"That is vastly different from simply supporting with-drawal", the pamphlet states. ence of approach is found.

"Labour gives the impression of rushing in with appeared, argued against any every intention of justifying precipitate action, and control the decisions already taken," the writes. "Fortunately, the writes. "Fortunately, the writes. "Fortunately, the right questions about the EEC.

That document had skated round the fact that nearly 60 per cent of British exports now go to Community coun-tries as against 45 per cent in 1978, and that West Germany was Britain's biggest single customer. Cutting British industry off from this market, "at a stroke", could be devastating.

"The NEC, in its yearning for a return to the days when the Empire was able to provide us with that we wanted for very little money, is living in cloud cuckoo land", the pamphlet states. "The TUC is more realistic, noting that the disparity between Community prices between Community prices and world prices is not as great as it once was; and pointing out that there would be substantial difficulties in returning to the position where Britain enjoyed relatively cheap supplies of food from the Commonwealth." Labour Prejudice and Reality (Labour Movement for Europe, ia Whitehall Place, London, SW1, 50p.)

Co-op faces boycott for hunting ban

By Hugh Clayton Environment Correspondent

British Shooting The British Shooting Sports Council decided vesterday to boycott all short, bank branches and other trade outlets in the Co-decrative movement. Voting at the closed meeting in Wester tminster, London, was unani-

The boycott was designed schools peace as a gesture of support to hunts which face growing pressure from their op-ponents. Mr John Fair, Conservative MP for Harborough and chairman of the council, believes that all rural sports that involve killing are at risk. 22. The National Rifle Assocition was the only one of the

11 member organizations of the council not to attend yesterday's meeting. The others all supported Mr Farr's emergency motion calling for a ban.

The boycott was aimed at the Co-operative movement because of a ban on hunting which will be imposed in June on the 30,000 acres of and owned by the Co-operative Wholesale Society. A spokesman at the head-quarters of the society in Manchester said that the boycott would be misplaced because the Co-operative Bank and the 170 retail societies which owned all of the movement's shops were independent of the wholesale society. Some of the retail societies owned rural land which would not be affected by the hunting ban to be imposed by the wholesale

society.
The wholesale society ha received letters from sup-porters of the hunting ban who said that they would increase their custom at Co-operative shops, the spokes-man said. The ban does not apply to shooting rights on Co-op formland.

Co-op farmland.

The decision to mount a boycott indicates growing fear among supporters of rural sports that they have failed to meet the challenge posed by organizations like the the League Against Cruel Sports. The league has campaigned successfully for bans on hunting on land amond be on hunting on land owned by Berkshire County Council and failed narrowly last week to win a ban in the heartland of foxhunting in Leicester-

Challenge of SDP in local polls

By Richard Evans and David Walker

Two-thirds of the 2,300 SDP candidates fighting next nonth's local government lections have never conested an election before, it vas disclosed yesterday, With the Liberals providing similar number of candidates, the two-party Alliance is fighting nearly all the town hall seats which will be

lecided by voters on May 6. Mr John Cartwright, SDP MP for Greenwich, Wool-wich, East, party spokesman on local government, said at the start of the party's first large-scale electoral campaign yesterday that many of the SNP candidates with little political experience 'diving in the deep end".

"These elections will be major test for our organiza-tion because we cannot concentrate in the same way as we can for parliamentary by-elections. Many of our candidates have never fought anything before. Many of our agents have never been agents in an election, so everbody is learning.

"It is very much a dress rehearsal for us. It is experience which we very much need in terms of the coming general election. We regard it as a searching test of our organization", he said. The SDP has held training

sessions attended by about 1,000 candidates and agents. Mr Cartwright said he was disappointed that only 15 per cent of the SDP candidates were women, but was encouraged by the number of people from ethnic minorities contesting seats for the party.

Social Democrats have agreed a joint policy with their Liberal partners in many areas and their slogan for the campign is, care about people, care about

"We want to try to give local government back to the people; to make it more sensitive, more caring, and to bring it closer in touch with the people it is there to serve, while at the same time trying to deliver services in as efficient and low cost way as

"That means challenging everything that has been done in local government. The fact that so many of our candidates are new to local government is a plus factor.
They will go in questioning and challenging everything and trying to find better and cheaper ways of providing services", Mr Cartwright

The SDP wants to restore public confidence in local government which, it says, has been undermined by the attitudes and policy of cen-tral government as well as the actions of extreme Labour councils.

Barking disrupting the edu-cation of thousands of chil-A leading article in tod dren, was settled yesterday. Schools will be back to normal when the summer term begins on April 19 after an agreement between the an agreement between the National Union of Teachers and the Labour-controlled authority which had agreed to restore 100 of 159 teaching posts due to be axed.

Democrats ballot on election method

By George Clark
Ballot papers will be circulated today to the 78,000
members of the Social Democratic Party to collect their views on the method of electing the party leader, on the representation of women on the council of the party, and for the ratification of the

draft party constitution.

There is anextra ballot paper seeking approval for bringing forward the date of electing the leader from November to June, 1982.

Members are asked to choose between three methods of electing the leader: 1. If there is more leader: 1. If there is more than one nomination, the leader should be elected by postal ballot of all members and there should be a mandatory review of the system in three years; 2. The election should be by ballot of the SDP members of Parliament; 3. The leader should be elected, in the case of any election before the next general election, by postal ballot of all members of the SDP, but after the general election it should be by ballot of the SDP MPs.

The area parties sponsor

The area parties sponsoring the options give a summary of their reasons. The Newcastle upon Tyne party, putting forward the first option, say: "The leader will set the direction, style and public image of our party. He or she must have he widest appeal to the party and the country. We believe that 78,000 members are better judges of that than an electoral college of MPs".

The Hounslow party, proposing the second method, says: "The SDP wants to says: "The SDP wants to strenghten Parliament. It will not do so by taking the choice of its parliamentary leader out of the hands of members of Parliament." To suggest that the leader, and possible Prime Minister, should be chosen for the MPs by members outside Parliament could lead to a damaging conflict between the party in Parliament and the party in the country, "as happened in the Labour

The Kensington and Chelsea party, proposing the third option, says it accepts the principle that, in the longer term, the MPs should choose the leader. "But that prin-ciple is justified only when MPs are properly representa-tive of the whole party. After the next general elec-tion...our SDP MPs will have a just claim to represent the party."

On the question of women's representation, the ballot form offers two choices, one a system where area parties elect one man and one woman to be members of the party council, with extra representation for area par-ties containing more than A teachers' dispute that extra members would be of had lasted for six weeks in either sex. The other choice the London borough of is the election of members

jostling" which is going on within the SDP leadership. The election of a leader for the SDP is entirely a matter for them", it states.

Local polls challenge, page 2

'Disastrous' to reduce junior doctors' posts

By Annabel Ferriman, Health Services Corresondent A reorganization of the by the parliamentary social health service so that all services select committee, patients were looked after by which recommended doub-

Royal College of Physicians said yesterday. The number of hospital consultants should be in-creased but not at the

expense of junior doctor posts, as the Government was planning, a report from the college said. Government plans to cut junior hospital doctors, if implemented, would mean that family doctors, who have

to work for a period in hospital before becoming general practitioners, would not be properly trained in children's medicine because there would not be the there would not be the training posts available.
With fewer junior staff, consultants would also have to endure indefinitely the restrictions on personal life that juniors accepted for a limited period in order to become fully trained and experienced

experienced.
The college was replying to the Short report, produced

consultants and there were ling the number of hospital fewer junior hospital doctors, would be as disastrous freeze on some junior doctor for the services as the last posts, when vacated, the reorganization in 1974, the report said. ling the number of hospital

Sir Douglas Black, president of the Royal College, predicted yesterday that the Government, which has accepted the Short report would implement only those parts which would save money. The result would be money. The result would be fewer junior doctors but no more consultants. Senior house officer pests in hospitals had been frozen

yet the recommendation of the college's Manpower Advisory Panel that the number of consultants should go up in 1982/83 by 118 has been cut to 10-15 posts by the health authorities and the Department of Health and Social Security. Sir Douglas said that the

college was critical of the "simplistic" view that junior posts could be frozen and converted into senior posts. There had to be sufficient juniors to filter into the senior posts, he said.

Pensioners' benefit risk

By Pat Healy, Social Services Correspondent By Pat Healy, Social Services Correspondent
Pensioners are most likely. Most of the pensioners
to be forced into hardship by- affected had savings only
the new rules disqualifying marginally above the £2,000
anyone from receiving supplementary benefit if they them less than £2,500, which
have more than £2,000 in is to be the new limit from
capital That was disclosed November this year. Most of

Supplementary Benefit Policy Inspectorate on the effects of the new rule.

Six of every 10 people who had their benefit stopped under the new rule were pensioners who lost between £1 and over £30 a week in benefit. The typical pensioner cut off from benefit Report of the Supplementary by the new rule was aged over 70, female and living alone.

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CORRECTION Mr William Rees Davies MP states that Judge Pickles in a states that Judge Pickles in a case, reported on March 31, in which two families were awarded damages for an abandoned holiday at a villa on Corfu, accepted that the contract was based entirely on a brochure and did not find that Mr Rees-Davies had described the villa as "the best on the island".

Overseas selling prices

Patrons: HM The Queen and HM The Queen Mother. Director of Appeals and Publicity: Air Commodore D. F. Rixson, OBE, DFC, AFC.

THE ROYAL HOSPITAL & HOME FOR INCURABLES, (Putney and Brighton), Dept. T2, West Hill, Putney, London SW15 3SW.

He's planning

his autobiography.

Hugh Jones was married and successful in his-

career as a sales representative when he contracted

multiple sclerosis. The symptoms took some time to

a wheelchair. His mind, though, is as keen and active as ever - he studies with the Open University, writes

poetry and is planning an autobiography which he

hopes will encourage other sufferers from multiple

We have over 270 incurable patients to care for. We cannot cure them. But we can help them. Skilled care can help them surmount their disabilities as much as

possible, and can help them lead as full a life as possible.

But we, too, need help. We are not part of the Health

Service and we rely a lot on the generosity of the com-passionate. Please help us with a donation, a deed of

covenant or a bequest.

develop, but now he is one of our patients, confined to

Nuclear Disarmament symbol intent and participation. And and the words: "They will be it is not evidence of either.

Manchester, chief reporter of the Withington Reporter in Manchester, denied

Manchester, denied damaging an eight ft wire

fence at a wartime head-quarters belonging to Greater Manchester Council at Mill

A young woman press safe — you will be dead" reporter who watched as were sprayed in paint on the peace demonstrators made a wall of the bunker. late night raid on a nuclear Four demonstrators had war bunker, was cleared of previously appeared, pleaded criminal involvement with guilty and been-fined £100 them at Stockport Magis-each at an earlier hearing. trates' Court yesterday. Mr Mr Newsome said Miss

Reporter at war HQ protest cleared

From Our Correspondent, Stockport

Rhys Vaughan, her solicitor, McCallum knew beforehand said it was an important case that damage was going to be of press freedom. "Her committed, she travelled to purpose was to report and the scene of the crime with observe; she as just doing one of the previous defend-her job", he said.

Miss Elizabeth McCallum, the damage was done. In her aged 24 of Egerton Road, handbag, later found in a demonstrator's car, was a typewritten draft "news bulletin" of what was about to happen.

Mr Vaughan said: "The prosecution have tried, in my submission vainly to estab-Lane, Cheadle, Stockport, lish that this young woman last December. The damage was a participant in the damage. They seek to say the Mr Roger Newsome, for fact that she went there in the prosecution, said that the car with someone inperimeter fencing was cut volved and that she had met Campaign for them in a pub is evidence of

"The report, she was preparing for the press; she was there to do a job as a reporter. It's a very important case not only for this woman, but for the general principles concerning the freedom of the press,

"The prosecution are try-ing to say she can't do her job as a reporter. A reporter, who goes to the scene of a crime, albeit knowing it was going to be committed, stands and observes it being committed and does a draft report on those facts — is that an offence?

Many reporters are present and are tipped off before-hand that a potentially illegal act is going to be committed. We are concerned with the basic principles of press freedom. The public have the right to accurate information and fair comment. She was reporting the event as accurately as she could. She was exercising her right to do that in a democratic society."

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SUMMARY

Back yard

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Back yard "bobbies" are to be recruited to help regular policemen on the beat. Nor-thumbria police announced testerday plans to appoint 750

unpaid special constables who would patrol their own home areas (our Newcastle upon Tyne correspondent writes).

The scheme is aimed at impressions the police's comments.

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Democrats on election

By George Clark
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Exhumation could clear man jailed for murder

The Home Office is con-Molnar, a Hungarian vagrant. port "His main problem is sidering an application for He had no record of violence. exhumation to help to prove Other key evidence is also nothing method to be proved in the property of Other key evidence is also whether a prisoner serving a life sentence is innocent of murder, as he claims New evidence in a BBC

increasingly suspect. He died six months after the murder and before Russell was tried.

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The programme, Rough
Justice on BBC 1, says that
the police and experts agreed
that 22 strands of hair
grabbed by the murder
victim, Jane Bigwood, an art
student, could have come
only from the killer who
stabbed her at her home in
Deptford, London.
Four strands were dark.

Four strands were dark, the rest grey or colourless. They are said not to match Russell's. But Molnar's hair

in heart

of Glasgow

From Jonathan Wills Glasgow

A £40m scheme to redev

lop a derelict area in the heart of Glasgow could

provide 2,500 long-term jobs

according to a detailed plan-ning application submitted to Glasgow District Council

yesterday by Scottish Devel-

opment Agency.
Unveiling a scale model of the plan for St Enoch's Square, Mr Robin Duilne, chairman of the agency, said

that the development would inject new life into the centre

It was one of the finest city

centre sites in Europe and

would provide superb facili-

ties in a complex to rival any

The eastern part of the

development, for which de-tailed planning permission has yet to be sought, will include about 140 private flats, an hotel and a multi-storey car park.

Mr Duthie said the agency

was acting as controller rather than funder for the project. The money would come from private institutions, taking purely commercial decisions based on anticipated remails for this

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park, the new design is

uncompromisingly modern and severely functional

Much of it will be enclosed

offends connoisseurs of Glas-

questioned. A man seen by a witness escaping through a winess escaping through a window was wearing a waist-coat Russell, seen in a public house before and after the where the murder weapon, a time of murder was not knife, was.

Russell went to the police New evidence in a BBC programme tonight indicates that Mervyn Jock Russell, an unemployed squamer, 'almost certainly' did not commit the crime for which he was convicted in 1977.

The exhumation, which is requested by Mr. Tom Sargant, secretary of Justice, the law reform society, is of Michael Molnar, who had a long police record and is now increasingly suspect. He died wearing a waistcoat. Nor was Russell went to the police his behaviour untoward. But 10 days after the murder to Molnar, according to people he lived with, wore a waist coat "all the time" and he and went to get a friend who had no all it the night of the also identified it.

The murderer's escape murderer, "it was definitely imp from a third floor the time to sit tight", the window to the ground could programme points out. The hardly have been made by an untrained man without injury, according to an expert parachutist. Russell was said to have had damaged ankles beforehand and showed no sign of abnormal mijury afterwards.

The programme quotes of first flat-mates the day The programme quotes

evidence suggesting that before the murd Molnar, alone among possible pears to have be suspects, 'might have had incident, but it cle parachute training. Forensic the jury against evidence suggested the mur- programme says. dexer was probably right-handed, whereas Russell is left-handed.

Molnar, who stayed around the flat for a few days after

Russell's. But Moinar's han is described as long and grey.

Exhumation would allow forensic tests to see if the hair the girl grabbed was really his. The Home Office has asked Scotland Yard to the murder, disappeared the day after the police arrived to interview his flat-mate. A diabetic, Molnar left behind make inquiries to see whether action by Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, is called for.

Russell lived in another wing of the same block of flats as Jane Bigwood and belongings, including insulin and hypodermic needles. At King's College Hospital,

£40m scheme Channel tunnel 'could

Channel tunnel that would

make heavy losses against

cut-price ferry competition.
Ferry fares could drop by a
third as the big modern
ships now on stream fill up
and the case for a tunnel

could be undermined, a new study by the Oxford Univer-

sity Transport Studies Unit carried out for the Chammel port and ferry companies,

A tunnel scheme could lose

up to £300m plus inflation by the year 2010 and far from creating employment, could cause a permanent loss of

2,000 jobs in Kent, the study

lose up to £300m'

By Michael Baily, Transport Correspondent

The British and French month, but that is not now

governments were given a expected until after Easter.
Warning yesterday against That puts more pressure on
embarking on a "submerged the tight timetable if, as is
Concorde" in the form of a deemed necessary, legislation

Yet if Russell had been th

before the murder. "It appears to have been a minor incident, but it clearly turned the jury against him", the He was also reported to be telling, "gory stories" about the murder on the morning after, Although his gossip was inaccurate, it told against him and he was convicted and refused leave

with a wounding attempt on one of his flat mates the day

The Russell case is the and hypodermic needles. first of three in which, in At King's College Hospital, spite of the guilty verdict, London, where he subse doubts persist and are examquently obtained treatment, a ined in Rough Justice, a doctor put in Molnar's re-three part series.

deemed necessary, legislation is to be included in the

Queen's Speech in November, after further intensive plan-ning and technical studies

through the summer. Mr Howell has been careful to

Labour in tussle over rent freeze

By Anthony Bevins Political Correspondent

Labour's national execu-Foot to commit a future Labour government to a oneyear rent freeze.

But it is understood that the Labour Leader has failed to win support of Mr Gerald Kaufman, his environment spokesman, and no commit-ment has been given. Private pressure for such a move has been mounting at

party meetings over the past two months, reaching a climax at Monday's meeting of the executive's home policy committee. Mr John Golding, MP for Newcastle-under-Lyme, joined Mr Dennis Skinner, MP for Bolsover, in a rare display of party unity on the issue but party unity on the issue, but Mr Foot was said yesterday Mr Foot was said yesterday to have attended the meeting only to report that he had made little headway.

The argument put by Mr Golding was that rents had gone "sky high" under the Conservative Government, it would be impossible for Labour to increase rents, and

dates in the May elections. Average council house rents in England and Wales rose from £5.90 to £6.48 a week between 1978-79 and 1979-80, just 1 per cent. Between 1979-80 and 1980-81, they rose by £1.70, or 26 per cent, and between 1980-81 and 1981-82 they increased by and 1981-82 they increased by £3.32, or 40 per cent, to £11.50 a week.

a commitment to a freeze would help Labour candi-

In the first year of the 1974
Labour administration, council rents were frozen, and it is being emphasized that that record would give a revival rents freeze policy special credibility. Mr Skinner said yesterday: "It would be unthinkable if we were to get back to office and then raise rents. We should be making this a big political issue". Nevertheless, no progress has been made since it was first raised at a meeting of

the executive's home policy committee, chaired by Mr Wedgwood Benn, two months ago. Mr Skinner said yesterday that Mr Foot had attended this week's meeting emphasize that continued attended this week a meanitree reliance on ferries and air of the home policy committee to expalin that he had met

Immigration falls to 9-year low

The total number of people accepted for settlement in the United Kingdom last year was 58,000, about 11,500 leases than the total for the two previous years and the lowest annual total since 1973, according to Government immigration statistics published on Monday. 27,500 Commonwealth citi-

zens were accepted, of whom 6,500 were from India; 5,800 from Bangladesh; 2,400 from Australia, 2,000 from New Zealand; and 2,800 were United Kingdom passport

holders.
Of the 30,900 foreign nationals accepted, 8,900 were Pakistani nationals; 3,500 were citizens of the United States, 3,100 were refugees from South-east Asia and 2,200 were nationals from within the EEC.

from within the EEC.

Fewer people were accepted for settlement on arrival last year. The total was 27,650, the lowest figure since records were started in 1962.

The Home Office statistical bulletin, "Immigration from the Indian Sub-Continent", also published on Monday, says that from 1976-81, about one third of those accepted for settlement were from the for settlement were from the Indian sub-continent and they were mainly dependants

of people already settled in Britain. Control of Immigration Statistics, United Kingdom, 1982, Commd 8533, Stationery Office (E5-25).

in postgraduate reforms By Diana Geddes Education Correspondent quality of those selected for awards, and of their sub-sequent training, it says. PhD in the social sciences. At present the standard applied to a social science thesis is A radical change in the

nature of a PhD in the social sciences, more rigorous selection of postgraduates selection of postgraduates and the withdrawal of post-graduate awards from universities with unacceptably low PhD completion rates, are called for in a report of a working party on postgraduate education, published by the Government yesterday. The working party, whose main recommendations were reported in *The Times* last

October, was set up nearly three years ago by the Advisory Board for the Research Councils to consider, among other things, how far postgraduate edu-cation as funded by the three main research councils was meeting the nation's man-power needs, and whether the present arrangement for post graduate training were appropriate.
The members of the work-

The members of the working party, which was chaired by Professor Sir Peter Swinnerson-Dyer, Master of St Catharine's College, Cambridge, and former Vice-Chancellor of Cambridge, included Professor Sir Geoffman who was then frey Allen, who was then chairman of the Science and Engineering Research Council (SERC), Dr Edward Particle Chairman of the Huiter. kes, Chairman of the University Grants Committee and Mr John Ashworth, at that time chief government scien-tist and now Vice-Chancellor of Salford University.

that past attempts to predict ful. It believes that manpower planning, as now practised, can make only a peripheral contribution to distribution of postgraduate awards. The best surety for meeting the country's needs for skilled manpower, is

J. P. R. Willams, the former Welsh rugby captain, accepted undisclosed damag-es yesterday in settlement of his High Court Libel action

against The Sun over allegations that he breached his amateur status in relation to

the proceeds of his autobi-

Last February, a jury awarded Mr Williams £20,000

liber damages over a similar allegation in The Daily Tele-

graph.
Yesterday The Sun apologized to Mr Williams "should any of their readers have gained a false impression."

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Mr Charles Gray, counsel for
the newspaper told Mr Jutice
Park in London: "The purpose in publishing this article
was to draw the public's
attention to what the defendants believed, and still be-

lieve, was a breach of the amateur rules of rugby by Mr

Williams, albeit uninten-tio-nally, and the article was published in good faith."

Mr Williams, Wales's most capped player who was made an MBE in 1977, had sued Mr

Ian Todd, a journalist, Sir Harry Lamb, the former editor of *The Sun*, and News

International, the publishers.
Mr Thomas Shields, coun-sel for Mr Williams said an

article by Mr Todd published in February 1979 suggested

J. P. R. Williams wins

libel action against 'Sun'

In general, the working party believes that the rescience thesis. sources put into postgraduate some new degree in the social sciences should be introduced, possibly called a that the country gets good value for money. About £60m a year goes to support 17,000 home postgraduates, all but 1,000 of whom are in univer-

party is concerned about the average length of time taken to complete a PhD, the wide variation in completion rates between different subjects and the criticisms frequently made of supervision arrange-ments for students. Research awards are normally granted for a maximum of three years. But recent surveys suggest that, on average, 46 per cent of science students and nearly 70 per cent of social science students have not completed their PhDs after five years. Completion rates for the same subject in different institutions varied enormously, the working party found, and seemed to bear no relation to the

The working party calls for a series of graded sanctions against universities with unacceptably low completion rates, starting with the requirement that the student

distinction of the university.

for postgraduate support, but calls for a check at the end of a student is fit to continue with research training.

present the standard applied to a social science thesis is higher than that applied to a The report suggests that

PhD or some other name, which would be accepted as a certificate of satisfactory completion of a three-year course of research training without the student neces sarily having to produce a written thesis. The working party believes, however, that a written thesis in the sciences is essential. ☐ Introducing the report in London yesterday, Sir Peter said there were several reasons for the low PhD completion rates: the ethos of some university depart-ments; the lack of diligence among supervisors; and the size of the project under-taken by the student, particu-larly in the social sciences (Frances Gibb writes).

"The completion rates in the social sciences vary markedly. Some universities are doing better than others; but the best universities (in the social sciences) are doing sities in the natural sciences. which does represent a worry", he said.

requirement that the student has a designated supervisor and a clearly defined research topic before an award is made, and culminating in the complete withdrawal of all research awards from that university.

The working party recommends that three years remain the normal maximum for postgraduate suppose. good enough at those skills needed to do a research degree.

Report of the Working Party on Post Graduate Education Advis-ory Board for the Research Councils. (Stationery Office, 27).

Police must

themselves

By our Home Affairs

No complaints system can

on its own create or maintain

public confidennce that the police are exercising their

powers responsibly, without unnecessary violence but with civility, the annual report of the Police Com-

aints Board, said yesterday.

plaints Board, said yesterday.
The primary responsibility
must remain with the police,
and the public must be
reassured about that. There
are types of complaint where
public confidence might be

ncreased by an independent

element in the investigation

The board's warning comes as the government considers changes in the system after the Scarman report into the

Brixton riots. It would be a "considerable

step in the wrong direction", if the responsibility for

receiving and investigating

complaints was removed from the police altogether,

the report says.

During 1981, the board received reports of investigations into 7,348 cases, compared with 7,416 in 1980.

Report of the Police Complaints Board 1981. House of Commons Paper Z/5. (Stationery Office, £3-20p).

police

unity relations while helping to fight crime. Application forms for men and women wishing to join the new volunteer force have been issued to police stations throughout the area. Recruits will be issued with a uniform and receive out of porket expenses. regular police officers patrol-ling their own home beats who will direct them on The first pure-bred Angora kids to be born in Britain this century exploring the land at the Rare Breed Survival Trust centre at Ash House, Iddesleigh, Devon. The animals were bred under the supervision of Mrs Marriana Rosenberg. who will direct them on anything form murder hunts to carching vandals. Chief Supt Paul White-house, the officer in charge of police community services, said: "We are looking for people who want to help their own community. What they will be doing is policing their own back yard". Sanctions on colleges urged Slashed pony

left to die The police in Dunstable

believe that a pony left to bleed to death after its jugular vein was slashed could be the latest in a series of attacks on family pets. Four months ago another pony had a screwdriver hammered into its head. Yesterday's victim was found dead when her owner.

Heather Croft aged 17, of Buttercup Close, Dunstable, went to her stable. Mr Joe Lawton, whose field housed five other ponies said "It was a terrible sight."

Suspended term for ex-nurse A former superintendent

nurse at a centre for men-tally handicapped children who admitted eight charges of ill-treating children in her care was given a six-month sentence, suspended for a year, at Wolverhampton Crown Court on Monday. Ten of the charges which she denied will lie on the file, it was agreed. Judge Ward told Susan Wilkes, aged 30, of Bridge Street, Brownhills, near Walsall, West Midlands, that he had considered an immediate proson sentence but said it would offend his

for offences, most of which were nearly three years old. new chairman of the Science and Engineering Research Council, added that the safety test

sense of justice to fail her

Health authorities that want continental quilts used in hospitals to save nurses time have been told by the Department of Health and Social Security that four types have passed fire safety checks at the Shirley Institute, Manchester.

The department is still not encouraging the use of quilts, both because of the additional fire risk and because they are considered harder to launder than tra-ditional bedding.

Force cleared by inquiry

The Northampton police force has been cleared of allegations of misconduct against it after a two-month inquiry by Mr Adrian Clis-sitt, Chief Constable of sitt. Chief (Hertfordshire, brought in by the county council's police committee. February, have not been made public. Mr Charles Grimmer,

said yesterday that the report showed no evidence to support any criminal charge, nor did it disclose any need for disciplinary action.

Monks move into prison cells

Three monks are being locked into cells in Shepton Mallet prison, Avon, this week to help them to learn how prisoners live. They are let out of their cells each morning and, joined by three nuns, allowed to roam the prison blocks, which house

The brothers and sisters, a Franciscan mission team, spend most of the day with the prisoners, having meals with them, visiting the prison workshops and taking part in their recreational facilities.

considered. Apart from a bridge, which might just stay in the black, investors should be very wary of putting their money in a fixed link, Sir William Harris, chairman of the Dover Harbour Board said yesterday while introducing the new study at a London press conference. A tunnel could be a "financial disaster" and the benefits claimed for it were in the world. Detailed plans for the suggests. Western section of the 15acre site include a shopping the Anglo-French working complex, offices, parking, are party prepares to amounce benefits claimed for it were its choice of scheme and illustry, he said. Future facilities, and an extensive fears that time is short for a traffic at 35 million passenpublic square. Mr David Howell, Sec carried comfortably by fer-retary of State for Transport, ries at a fraction of the cost had hoped to announce the and in greater comfort and

Extradition for US road death trial rejected

the United States to answer charges arising from a road accident in which a boy

site, although he hoped that Strathclyde Regional Council would pay for much of the parking space. Dicussions with potential investors were well advanced, he said. Mr Duthie was optimistic in the face of doubts about the need for more hotels and chain stores cyclist, aged 13, died.

She returned to Britain in in a city well provided with both. He said the St Enoch's development would draw people back to the centre of Glasgow and would actually increase the market. --The architecture of the new centre is likely to cause controversy in a city noted for its fine Victorian and Edwardian buildings.
In contrast to the Gothics splendour of the decrepit St. Enoch's Hotel, which was demolished to make way furthe present wasteland carnark, the new demolished to make the present wasteland carnark.

Miss Gail Jennings, aged Refusing leave to appeal to 21. of Lymington, Hamp the Lords Lord Justice shire, won an appeal in the Ormrid said it would be High Court in London yester deplorable if the case was day, against extradition to taken further.

Counsel for the Los Angeles District Attorney however, said leave to appear would be sought from the House of Lords' appeal committee. Lord Justice Ormrod said it

was the first time an appli-cation had been made for an London for her extradition to stand trial in Los Angeles on charges including driving offence of causing death by driving a motor vehicle. It had to be established drink and causing the boy's death "without malice but with gross negligence".

Lord Justice Ormrod and Mr Justice Forbes ruled that the offences were not sufficiently grave to warrant extradition under the terms of the 1972 extradition treaty with the United States.

1978, having been granted bail in Californian. Her appeal was against an order of Bow Street magistrates in London for her extradition to

Cash plea to preserve wildlife

By Hugh Clayton, Environment Correspondent

under a glass structure resembling a gigantic L-shaped lean-to greenhouse. The "brutality" school of modern architecture, which offends connoisseurs of Glasgow's nineteenth century buildings, is much evidence in other parts of the development.

The architects are confident, however, that the exciting building in St Enoch's Square will achieve the same massive public patronage in Glasgow as the equally uncompromising said it would need an extra parts.

Safeguard exceptional wild to respond to threats as they arise, and cannot always afford to protect sites, and cannot always afford to protect sites and cannot always aff

keep endangered sites in their wild state.

"At present we are obliged to respond to threats as they arise, and cannot always afford to protect sites," the council said. The impact of inadequate funding had been to go where the council said. The impact of inadequate funding had been to go where the council said. Siesex where the council said of story or damage important habitats.

Some sites of exceptional scientific interest had been Some sites of exceptional scientific interest had been

destroyed with the help of government grants to aid agricultural improvement, the council declared.

Nature Conservancy Council Severals Report (Stationery Office,



J. P. R. Williams Awarded

then captain of the Welsh team, had acted improperly and in a devious manner in relation to the proposed remuneration for his book, which was then about to be published.

"Shortly after the publication of this article, the Welsh Rugby Union held an investigation into Mr Williams's conduct and conclud-

Mr Williams, an othopaedic surgeon, had given the pro-ceeds of his book to a sports

ed that no breach of the amateur rules had taken

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Admiral pins his faith on air superiority

By Henry Stanhope Defence Correspondent

crucial in determining any anti-aircraft weapons. Royal Navy task force and Admiral Woodward, however,

have one aircraft carrier, the elderly 25th of May which has a peacetime complement of 14 A4 Skyhawks — but will arciable have a state of 14 A4 Skyhawks — but will arciable have a state of 14 A4 Skyhawks — but will arciable have a state of 15 squatron of 19 Mirage interceptors with a similar range.

RAF, launch Harriers from a short take-off. They also have the advantage of the ski-jump, the ramp in the bows which gives the aircraft extra lift into the air.

In the context of an isolated sea battle the Harrier adoption by the United States

Dart area air defence missile which is installed on HMS Invincible and three Sheffield class destroyers in the force. Other ships including three of the four Leander frigates and two Amazon class frigates, which are believed to be with the force, have the older, shorter range Seacat.

But the Argentines have two Sheffield class anti-air-craft destroyers of their own - with Sea Dart on board sold by Britain in the kind of deal which might have made economic sense at the time.
Their light cruiser, which is
on station there, is also
equipped with 70 or so Seacats. So to some extent, like is facing like — even if Royal Navy sailors, being all-professional, should have

the Argentine forces in the Falkland Isles. Achieving it, however, could present Rear-Admiral John Woodward and his senior commanders with their present replaces. their greatest problems.

The task force will have an estimated 20 Sea Harrier jets, 12 in HMS Hermes and eight in Invincible. The Argentines have one signature of the Argentine within range of the Argentine Air Force's 88 Skyhawks, which have an average tactical radius of action of around 700 miles, and its squadron of 19 Mirage intercentage with a signature within range of the Argentine Air Force's average tactical radius of action of around 700 miles, and its squadron of 19 Mirage intercentage with a signature of the Argentine Air Force's area.

of 14 A4 Skyhawks — but will probably have more on board from its reserve in the event of a naval battle.

The Harrier is technically a small offensive aircraft, with a performance constrained by the sacrifices made to enable it to take off and land vertically. On the oher hand the Navy, like the RAF, launch Harriers from a "forward" base on Ascension against the carrier itself by Island, will make first for hunter-killer subarines.

Air superiority could be more expertise in using their South Georgia where the rucial in determining any anti-aircraft weapons.

Current crisis first erupted, on frontation between the The chief difficulty for in the hope of securing a foothold in the South Atlan-

from there, they would then mount their assault first on the Argentine Navy and then, all being well, on the Falklands themselves which means in effect Port Stanley.
The Sea Harriers would probably be needed to provide air cover for the Royal Marines and other troops as they storm ashore — if the worst comes to the worst. That would leave the Navy's surface-to-air missiles surface to air missiles (SAMs) to protect the car-riers and other warships

from the avenging Skyhawks from the Argentine main-land. Meanwhile the effectiveness of Argentine carrier-borne aircraft might be neutralized by action taken

Gales and ice ahead

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

The task force is sailing isolated sea battle the Harrier offers the Navy a great deal ocean at the worst time or and its potential as a ground attack aircraft in islands of East and West Falkland, separated by a 25 miles-wide strait are at about the same latitude in the larines. southern hemisphere as
The Navy has the latest Sea London is in the northern half, the climate is more severe. Ice could be encountered at South Georgia.

> Conditions at sea similar to those in the North Atlantic Approaches off the Outer Hebrides, but the weather is colder. The latitude of the Falklands, and 200 small islands scattered

force of the Roaring Forties which sweep across the middle latitudes of the south. even at the best time of the year. The frequency of gale force winds and heavy seas increases as winter approaches at the end of April.

In recent years the number

disappearances

issue remains an active one

papers, and Geneal Galtieri

But his main problem is

the state of the economy, which has been in a severe

crisis for the past year. Banks and industrial firms

have gone bankrupt, and

unemployment has soured to an official level of 500,000

with the true figure perhaps two million — very high for a

country of some 27 million

and one in which until recently unemployment was

Inflation is now at 149 per

collar workers try to nego-tiate four pay rises a year,

United Nations bodies.

administration has

hardly known.

Plaza de Mayo.

If the area of operations extends as far as South Georgia, the crews would begin to feel the harsh effects of the Antarctic convergence. Although pack winter. But the coastline of the main islands is deeply indented and provides many secure and sheltered anchorages. Those natural harbours were used in preparation for one of the principal battles of the First World War. The battle of the Falklands between a British squadron commanded under Vice-Admiral Sir Doveton Sturdee around, is between 51 de-grees and 53 degrees south. under Vice-Admiral Graf von Most of them miss the full Spey, was a reprisal by the British for earlier losses at

For this second encounter. middle latitudes of the south. two battle cruisers, Invin-Nevertheless a persistent cible and Inflexible, were wind of about 15 knots blows detached secretly from the Grand Fleet in the North Sea to reinforce the British squadron in the South Atlantic. All but one of the German squadron was sunk.



Defiant gesture: A confident Falkland Islander under the Argentine flag

General's gamble

Retreat could cost Galtieri his job

Argentina is a potentially many of them completely rich country with enormous innocent, disappeared and innocent, disappeared and are now presumed to be dead. natural resources, as almost every Argentine is aware. But it has suffered badly dwindled to almost nothing, with the elimination of the from misgovernment, both civilian and military, in recent years, and the result is that it has failed to fulfil the promise which it showed earlier this century. relatives of those who disap-

General Leopoldo Galtieri, who came to power last December in a bloodless coup within the regime, is only the latest in a long line of military men who have taken the view that they know what is best for the country. His declared objective, like those of his immediate predecessors, is to reverse the decline and begin a process of national reconstruction.

The difference is that he has decided to set about it in a flamboyant and adventurous style. He clearly sees the invasion of the Falklands, which almost all Argentines regard as being properly theirs, as being a popular

If he pulls it off, he will have succeeded in distracting attention, at least for a time, from the economic hardships now afflicting the country. If he is forced to withdraw, he will suffer a humiliting setback, which will not be forgiven either by Argentine public opinion or by his fellow members of the armed forces, who could be counted on to try to remove him from power.

military present regime took power in 1976 at time of exceptional disorder in Argentina. Strong, well armed and well financed guerrilla groups were active in many parts of the country; and the economy was in . ruins, with inflation reaching 54 per cent in a single month and the currency reserves reduced to almost nothing.

The tottering government of President Maria Estela Peron, widow of Juan Peron, was plainly unequal to the task of running the country, and the intervention of the armed forces, headed by General Rafael Videla, was widely welcomed

On the ecomomic front the new military government had some success, initially at least, in restoring normality, boosted by the natural resilience of the Agentine economy. Inflation was brought down, along traditional liberal lines.

But the operations on the other front, against the guerrillas, were more contro-versial. In the face of an admittedly serious threat, the armed forces made a deliberate decision to wage a "dirty war", in which anyone who link became painfully obvi- party since October 24, 1945, was even suspected of sympathies with the guerrillas, or of having any sort of contact with them, was liable to be kidnapped, tortured and kil-

The policy was successful, that the guerrillas were eliminated from Argentine life. But in the clearly embarrassed by the its compulsory jurisdiction. process thousands of people, Falklands affair.

Alliance's boat rocked by Steel

By Anthony Bevins

Action by Mr David Steel, the Liberal leader, to prepare for an early general election over the Falklands crisis last night caused new divisions with the Social Democrats. It was learnt yesterday that he is to advise party nego-tiators to speed up their negotiations on the division

guerrilla groups. But the in Argentine life, since the Social Democrats, completing the carve-up before the new deadline of April 20. peared are maintaining their pressure for information on But this was deplored last night by senior Social Demowhat happened and regularly demonstrate outside the presidential palace in the cratic sources who described the move as irresponsible at a time when all parties in the Since the armed forces took over, there have been no Commons should be seen to be rallying around the Government in its resolve to elections and there have been back the occupied severe restrictions on the activities of political parties British territory.

and trade unions. The regime While Mr Steel believes maintains, and constantly repeats, its public committhat an ultimate solution may yet have to be built around ment to a restoration of the possiblity of turning the democracy, but it has avoided Falklands into a United committing itself to a precise Nations dependency, an ide that may yet be extended to Gibraltar and Hongkong, his In the last year or two there has, however, been an alliance partners feel most easing of the political atmosstrongly that negotiation should concentrate on a ohere. There has been more activity by the parties, which has been reported in the return to British sovereignty.

The Liberals also appear to apparently sees himself as be less resolute on the issue eventually heading some polonic force, echoing one Labour itical party or movement line that there can be no which, if all goes well for blank cheques for the milihim, would be swept into tary solution.

The Social Democratic argument is that talk of an early election, United Nations dependency and qualifications to the use of Nations dependency and the dispute itself. Atlantic impossible to evaluate the lead to a possible back for a likely to an a field said last night that it had won a field said last night that they back settlement.

Oil a key factor in attempts to resolve the crisis

Oil is now emerging as a key factor in any prospective from the Argentine state oil agreement that might be reached between Britain and Argentina — with United controversial Magallenes States mediation — for solving the present crisis. For straddles what is called the some time now there has been considerable specubation and some wildly exaggerated forecasts as to the gerated forecasts as to the Atlantic Richfield's consor-extent of potential offshore tium included Mobil which

oil resources. number of the big inter-national companies have been carrying out exploratory offshore drilling, with enthree-mile limit as couraging commercial results in some cases. At least three islands. In any case, this platforms have been trimes would by the Argentine coast of nized by the Argentine Patagonia and Tierra del Government as it claims Fuego. These include the jack-ups Rio Colorado operanyhow.

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The strikes earlier this year have been made by the Total consortium, which includes the Argentine company Bridas, in a block fairly close to Rio Grande. Preliminary results from the 1 mile deep Aries X-1 will have shown the existence of 1,300 through a three-quarter inch choke which is considered by oil experts to be significant but it still has to be evaluated fully. Last year Shell and Exxon reported finds of 5,360 barrels a day and 3,100

respectively. Further exploration has come to a head because of

later dropped out possibly position. Technically speak-ing, the islands only have a lose and go away. One oil expert has sa the indications are the oil has never declared a 200-mile and gas deposits are being economic zone around the

Interocean 11, and Esso's tive risk contract offer but submersible General Mosso- when it was described by the contract offer but ni. attention by The Times it took the unusual step of publishing an advertisement in the press warning inter-national oil companies not to

go ahead, ...
Argentina is currently more than 95 per cent selfsufficient in oil and gas but is anxious to become a net exporter in order to boost its ailing economy which is why it has stepped up the of-fshore drilling programme on the basis of risk contracts. Oil industry sources claim that the overall prospects are encouraging; but until a proper exploration programme over the whole ares has been carried out it is

had shown an interest disputed Magallones ste block, which adjoins ders where test drilling has een carried out, because the seismic data "looked essur-

found in the Spathill formation, which is the geological name for int of geological name for interest of the sedimentary layers this layer lies between the sentine mainland and the sends and dips to the east. It is thought that the reservoir, if it exists, will be closer to the islands that the mainland. But this causet be proved until test falling takes place. This has not happened because the artists. Government has not been able to reach agreement with

Argentina.

Over the last 18 menths,
Argentine Foreign Maistry
officials have privately expressed extreme fragration at Britain's attitude dist this matter as they would have liked to see some find of joint proposal for pro-duction sharing agreement. duction sharing agreement. It now seems possible that such negotiations for Joint production agreement luring-ing in the United Spies as guarantor, in return for a share of the revenue could

The task force sails on

Carrier crew to get smell of cordite

From John Witherow, on board HMS Invincible, April 6

orce bound for the Falkland near the carrier. lands rendezvoused in the South Western Approaches the anti-submarine carrier, added. "The captain wants started to bring its Harrier the crew to get used to the jets and Sea King helicopters smell of cordite".

To full operational capacity. Meanwhile the Sea King

HMS Fearless, the assault shop carrying Marines and Commodore Michael Clapp, overall commander of this section of the fleet, sailed from Portsmouth and was due to join the force within the next day of so. Some frigates and supply vessels were already with invincible and the flagship HMS Hermes, but the Navy was reluctant to publicize details

Once the ships have as-sembled they will head to-night in the direction of the Azores to meet the rest of the fleer which is sailing for Ascension Island from oper-ations off Gibraltar.

Preparations on aboard Invincible, which has been sold to the Australians and is due next year, continued with vertical take-off Harrier jets practising mock combat and evading "enemy" radar systems by skimming in low over the waves. For some of the pilots it is their time on board the ship and they have been accustoming themselves to landing on a platform while still within range of mainland bases.

To facilitate operations the carrier circled at only a few a knots in calm about 100 miles south of the Scilly Isles while last-minute supplies were flown on board by helicopter.

Captain Jeremy Black, aged 50, addressed the crew after a full-scale practice emergency and outlined the respective strengths of the British and Argentian fleets, because the chiral provide by the route the ship would be following and the type of preparations to be undertaken as the carrier headed for the South Atlantic.

The mood among the crew and especially the Harrier pilots is one of jubilant optimism. To say they are spoiling for a fight would be an exaggeration but they are nonetheless ready and prepared for it and feel the islands should be regained by

whatever means necessary.
"It's what we're trained to do", one officer commented. Lieutenant-Commander Nigel "Sharky" Ward, in charge of 801 Harrier Squadron, said they were undertaking a full training programme to give some new pilots practice in supporting a marine landing and entering air combat.
"That is our bread and butter", he said. "It is what we are best at. We are dead aging."

The Foreign Office is in the past been consult on numerous occasions yout applications for drilling offi the Falklands but has pased to grasp the problem is the hope that companies would by the fact there will be a few

outterflies in our stomachs when we get up there on the flight deck and there will be a lot of aggro in the air".

Harrier pilots trained against US 'aggressors' in Britain and Sardinia

He said they had trained against a United States "aggressor" squadron flying F5s in Britain and Sardinia and had "wiped the table". But he was aware that the margin for error in modern jet fights was extremely small: "If a pilot gets it wrong for one or two seconds he's a dead man. The Harrier can bite back if you don't fly it properly".

The strain of flying such sophisticated aircraft at sea showed on the faces of the pilots as they returned for debriefing. One man Lieutenant Mike Watson, had just made a perfect landing for the first time at sea and his relief was evident.
Armed with heat-seeking

Part of the British naval to fire at least one missile going to get them used to bangs going of around the today while HMS Invincible, ship," Commander Ward the anti-submarine carrier, added. "The captain wants Meanwhile the Sea King

squadron was practising take-offs and landings on the

flight deck and approaches to the ship. Both Harriers and

helicopters are keen to do some night flying at this early stage but the Sea Kings, designed to seek and destroy enemy submarines, are not yet triaining with torpedoes and depth charges. About a third of the helicop-ter crews have joined from other squadrons and are taking time to accustom themselves to the Invincible. Captain Black told journalists that the fleet's progress south would depend upon decisions taken by the Foreign and Defence Ministries but they intended to proceed at something under 18 knots strung out between 100 and 200 miles. That would enable Invincible and Hermes to train their aircraft against one another out of radar range and allow the smaller vessels to keep up.

Navy's biggest headache is replenishing supplies from a base 4.000 mles away.

One important factor pre-One important factor pre-occupying the task force is the necessity for replenish-ment of supplies. "To con-duct operations 4,000 miles from the nearest base is quite a thing to do", the captain said. The fleet will be accompanied by a number of supply vessels and there are supply vessels and there are plains to send out relief craft but it is undoubtedly a problem exercizing the minds of Naval Command.

The captain sees the pre-sent period of training as a time to get the ships to full fighting capacity and to make some adjustments. "We are a navy who tend to train against a Russian threat and here we see some slight changes of emphasis. The sort of thing I am talking about is a matter of detail but nonetheless important."

He said the ship was capable of coping with chemical or nuclear contaminated zones by sealing itself and building up a higher air pressure inside and was well equipped to cope with flood-

There has been an un-official change in the identification of lifejackets aboard clothing store reads: "Due to West all Mark II, 15 and 25 life preservers will be now known as Dolly Partons". Underneath someone has

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☐ HMS Fearless, the assault ship which will spearhead any attempt to regain the Falkland Islands, yester-day gathered her brood of landing craft like ducklings under her wing and moved out from Portsmouth to join the task force (Stewart Tendler writes).

On a cold, wet and windswept day there was little sign of the thousands who watched Invincible and Hermes leave on Monday. But as Fearless nosed out of the dockyards, her siren booming across the water, people began to appear on the harbour walls. Many were mothers and wives, some of them openly in tears.

For there was no doubting Fearless's bellicose appearance. The decks were with men form the 580-strong crew while aft there were ranks of Marines dressed in battle fatigues. In their midst were ranged field and anti-Armed with heat-seeking tanks guns, part of the Sidewinder missiles and cannon the Harriers intend of 500-700 men on the ship-

View of an eminent authority

International law would favour the British argument

cent, and the value of the peso has plummeted. White last Saturday's emergency and having two jobs is

between the police and dem-unprovoked aggression by onstrators in Buenos Aires. the government of Argentina In external relations, Ar-had not a shred of justifigentina has developed cordial cation or a scrap of legality. elations with the Soviet This cannot be gainsaid. The Union, which buys Argentine | conduct of Argentina is a grain, sells Soviet goods in classic violation of Article return and helps defend 2(4) of the United Nations Argentina against attacks on Charter - prohibition of the its human rights record in use of force against the territory of any state --- to The extent of the Soviet which Argentina has been a ous to Washington when the when that paramount inter-

Argentines refused to go national law instrument came along with the American into force. grain embargo against Moscow after the invasion of Afghanistan. The Reagan Argentina subscribed to "the made optional clause" of the great efforts to mend fences statute of the International with Buenos Aires, and is Court of Justice accepting

Despite the emotional tide manifestly be the proper which swept through the method of settling the Falk-House of Commons during land Islands dispute

Argentina claims to be debate few references to the entitled to sovereignty over international law aspect of the Falkland Islands. So does the Falkland Islands debacle the United Kingdom. Such an could be detected. The international legal dispute paucity of order, marked by "should as a general rule be the Speaker's repeated calls, referred by the parties to the the Falkland Islands debacle could be detected. The proposition of Labour (CGT), which was so powerful in the days of General Peron. Demonstrations were called on March 30, which led to four hours of running battles between the police and demonstrated the Falkland Islands debacle the United Kingdom. Such an international legal dispute the Speaker's repeated calls, was equalled only by the referred by the parties to the united Kingdom. Such an international legal dispute "should as a general rule be the Speaker's repeated calls, the United Kingdom. Such an international legal dispute "should as a general rule be the Speaker's repeated calls, the United Kingdom. Such an international legal dispute "should as a general rule be the Speaker's repeated calls, the United Kingdom. Such an international legal dispute "should as a general rule be the Speaker's repeated calls, the United Kingdom. Such an international legal dispute "should as a general rule be the Speaker's repeated calls, the United Kingdom. Such an international legal dispute "should as a general rule be the Speaker's repeated calls, the United Kingdom. Such an international legal dispute "should as a general rule be the Speaker's repeated calls, the United Kingdom. Such an international legal dispute "should as a general rule be the Speaker's repeated calls, the United Kingdom. Such an international legal dispute "should as a general rule be the Speaker's repeated calls, the United Kingdom. Such an international legal dispute "should as a general rule be the Speaker's repeated calls, the Speaker's repeated call The conduct of Argentina

during the last few days does not spell out to the world much confidence in the UN Charter or the validity of Argentina's claim to the Falkland Islands and Dependencies. No doubt that was a factor which the UN Security Council took into account, as it has before, when it adopted last Saturday's resolution demanding an immediate cessation of hostilities, and the immediate withdrawal of all Argentine forces from the Falklands and called on Argentina and Britain to seek a diplomatic solution of their differences and to respect fully the charter.

this instance and individual self-defence. The Falkland Argentina has now violated at least two of the charter's Islands stand outside the in seeking to prevent the UK principles: to settle its disgeographical limits of the forces liberating the islands.

-sometimes called the most, over-worked provision of the has thus given this country room to move both within the mandatory terms of the Security Council's resol-utions cited and in lawful exercise of the UK's "in-herent" right of self-defence

under the charter. Mrs Thatcher stated in the parliamentary debate that she could not foresee what orders the task force would receive as it proceeded. That, she said, would depend on the situation. Meanwhile, as she reiterated at question for the task force to reach time yesterday, she hoped the Falkland Islands is thus that continuing diplomatic not without its uses, legally. efforts, helped by Britain's many friends, would be successful

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or excessive since the act justified by the necessity of should appear, and, if it did, self-defence must be limited the British Navy would take by that necessity and kept clearly within it. This formula received enlorsement in a judgment of the Interin a judgment of the International Military Tribunal at Nuremburg in 1936, and was unanimously reaffirmed by the UN General Asseembly the same year (Resolution 95 (1)). The length of sailing time

The degree of armed force which may lawfully be exer-cised by that mask force will depend on the quantity and quality of armed resistance to it by the Argentine forces.

whelming, leaving no choice mile limit around the Falof means and no moment for klands. It would, he said, "be -deliberation... it is not in compatible with international volve nothing unreasonable law to declare within that limit that no Argentine vessel

sea, such a limit would restrict action by the Royal Navy to an extent not required by iternational law. In time of normality a 200mile limit would be difficult to justify because such a claim for a territorial sea is not yet accepted in international law.

More curiously, and what was not mentioned by any during the debate, which may be immediately practical, is the humanitarian ireatment that must be accorded to any UK service man or merchant seaman

country. For this purpose it would appear that both Argentina and this country will be bound, as a matter of international law, to accept the offer of the humanitarian services of the International Committee of the Red Cross. Commons, generally, was not illuminating, so far as international law was concerned.

This is odd because the validity of all our present actions directed against Argentina, whether naval, military or economic, are based on that international law. If not so based, they have no validity whatsoever; International law may need more attention than it has 50 far received in this incident. Perhaps today's debate will be focussed more precisely.

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(Professor Emeritus in Law. captured by the Agentine Sussex University)

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FALKLANDS CRISIS/2____

Expatriate Britons are getting out fast

From Christopher Thomas Buenos Aires, April 6

atmosphere has gone, and if the Falklands are stormed their days in Argentina will be miserable if not over. be miserable if not over.

Each day charter aircraft therefore highly vulnerable are hired in Montevideo, half to expulsion. But even those an hour's flight away in with Argentine passports—
Uruguay, to take Britons some of them fifth generhome. They are all packed attom Argentines—feel with businessmen and their uneasy, families heeding the advice.

The British Government everywhere in the country.

from the British Government

volatile, are becoming increa- lands affair. singly restive with every The general view is that advance of the British task Britian failed to read the

By Rupert Morris

All imports from Argentina

into Britain worth more than

£100m a year were banned from midnight last night, the

Prime Minister announced in the House of Commons

All import licences were immediately revoked, but consideration would be given

to application s from British importers for licences to

This balance of trade is

thought to be atypical, how-

ever, as the Department of Trade statistics for 1980 - the

latest complete year's figures - show rhe value of Britain's

exports to Argentina as £173m, compared with imports from the same country

worth £114m.

About half Britain's im-

ports from Argentina con-

sists of meat, which in 1980 was worth £29m. Of this half

was corned beef, and half

frozen cuts of prime beef,

mainly for use by big catering chains and steak

resents High Street butchers, said there would be no effect

on shop prices. The Austra-lians had a lot of beef to sell

and he expected any shortfall

to be made up by them. Importers of frozen beef

were, however, concerned that other producers might put up their prices to cope with increased demand.

Importers and retailers of

corned beef were more-worried that public reaction

against Argentine corned beef would harm the retail trade. Tesco, the supermar-ket chain, has removed all Argentine corned beef from

Argentina's move to sus-

pend payments to creditors and British residents an-nounced in Buenos Aires

yesterday by Senor Roberto Alemann, the Economy Min-ister, has led to deepening

confusion in financial circles

(Peter Wilson-Smith writes).

The move was taken in retaliation for the blocking

of Argentine assets by the

British Government but it is still unclear to what extent

banks in Britain, which have lent Argentina \$5,800m (£3,300m), will be affected.

There were indications from one big British bank

yesterday that repayments

from Argentina had already

been frozen, and there is concern that the Argentine

action may open the way for

one of its bank creditors to

call it in default with wide-

ranging implications for financial markets.

The officer appointed by reenting to be "Governor"

of the Falkland Islands is

General Mario Benjamin Menendez and not Luciano

Benjamin Menendez whose

profile was published yester-

Correction

Confusion over

payments freeze

Mr JAck Bailey, president of the National Federation of Meat Traders, which rep-

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The expatriate British larly take lunch or a sun-community in Buenos Aires downer in the colonial sur-is atraid. The signs of roundings of their distinctly tension are there, the easy British enclave. downer in the colonial sur-roundings of their distinctly British enclave.

There are probably 17,000 people of British origin who hold British passports in Argentina and who are therefore, highly vulnerable;

everywhere in the country.

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Postgonnia speaks Welsh, from the British Government everywhere in the Country. The Welsh community in They cannot transfer Patagonia speaks Welsh, money through the banks Spanish and no English. The any more and their cars are inforcer. So they cannot drive them out of the country.

But they choose to lee because the Argentine people, who are notoriously the mishandling of the Falk-wolatile, are becoming increasing the mishandling of the Falk-lands affair.

advance of the British task force and anything could happen at any time.

A few days ago firms employing British people in Argentina were advised by idea. Argentines generally the embassy in Buenos Aires, which is now officially the property of the Swiss, to get all non-vital personnel out in 48 hours. The exodus has been carried out efficiently, swiftly and almost unnoticed.

But what of the thousands who remain? What if the anti-

who remain? What if the antisweeping the country get out
of hand?

The mood in the English British central Buenos Aires age, the Sunset House for the
sigloomy, depressing and clearly and St John's Anglifearful. A few days ago a can Cathedral and a host of
policeman stationed himself
outside the front door, silentgoings of those who regucouncil administers many

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who remain? What if the antiarchites collecting huge
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Argentine | EEC asked to unite

the Community. The member habitants states were asked to take Islands." action quickly in order to The s

show their common disap-proval of the invasion of the Falkland Islands.

Britain was not expecting

the other member states to take as severe an approach as

before the ban took effect, Mr Peter Rees, the Trade Minister, said.

Argentine exports to the United Kingdom in the last four months of 1981 were worth £56m, substantially more than the £47m worth of goods exported from the United Kingdom to Argentine.

This balance of transit suggestion that other countries should be asked to severe diplomatic relations with the Argentine junta. Nevertheless, Britain was hoping for trade sanctions to covering steel, footwear, agricultural products and textiles to be introduced which the United Kingdom to Argentine.

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These include: "Serious international tension constituting a threat of war, or in order to carry out obligations it has accepted for the purpose of maintaining peace

on trade sanctions

From Ian Murray, Brussels, April 6

Britain today puts its case against a British territory for a united EEC front of linked to the Community, an trade sanctions against intervention committeed in Argentina at a meeting of violation of international law permanent representatives to and the rights of the inthe Community. The member habitants of the Falkland rates, were asked to take Islands."

a grant proposal for sanctions.

based on article 224 of the take any action on the issue
Treaty of Rome. This says. without the approval of the
that member states should ministerial council. Sanctions
consult and take steps could, however, be agreed
together to prevent the between the permanent rep-

together to prevent the permanent representatives and passed on affected by any measures for formal approval by brought in by an individual whichever council is next country in certain defined held. At the moment, this is

and international security."

The Commission itself discussed the Falkland crisis at its meeting this morning and issued a statement afterwards talls or sanctions, the Commission itself and its meeting this morning and issued a statement afterwards talls or sanctions, the Commission is a statement afterwards talls or sanctions.

condemning "the armed intain or sanctions, the commutervention, of Argentina unity has a trade deficit.

Mr Heath welcomed by Mr Deng Xiaoping, the

Chinese backing sought

Peking, April 6 — Mr him to "understand their Edward Heath, the former position, particularly as a Conservative Prime Minister said today he asked China to use all its influence on Argentina to abide by the Foreign Ministry spolesman said: "The Chinese Governgaling for withdrawal from the Falkland Islands.

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the Falkiand Islands.

Even though China abstaned in the vote on the stuned in the vote on the resolution, which was passed by a solid majority, "they pute by peaceful means understood our position," he told a news conference. "I

got the impression that they are thinking more about it here on Sunday, said he was since the United Nations resolution has been passed."

He said the Chinese urged parliamentary debate

the issue and hopes that both

Chinese leader:

told a news conference. "I nels?



Major Gareth Noot, back from the Falklands, is reunited with his wife Anne and daughters Katie, aged 11, Deborah, 7, and Nicola, 9.

The statement went on:

its solidarity with the United

Kingdom. It makes an orgent

appeal to the Argentine Government to implement the resolution of the United

sheduled to be that of the agriculture ministers on April 20. Unless a special

meeting is called for at short notice this would be the first date on which an EEC response could be properly

"The Commission express

Pym puts

By Denis Taylor

Mr Francis Pym, the new

Foreign Secretary, will not be going to Syria and Jordan next week for the visits planned by Lord Carrington, because of the crisis over the

Falkland Islands. It was being emphasized in White-hall last night that the trips

to Damascus and Amman

have been postponed, not

Even before Lord Carring-

ton's resignation, the possi-bility of the visits taking place had looked extremely

ministers at Sintra, Portugal, on April 20 for talks on the

future of Gibraltar. This is

the date on which the

Spaniards are due to poen

the gates on their side of the frontier with Gibraltar.

The great importance which Madrid attaches to a

whole range of developments involving Britain is appreci-ated in London. These in-

clude prospective Spanish membership to the EEC and

of the Gibraltar border. Whitehall sources would

not be drawn into comment

ing on the enthusiasm with which the Argentine invasion

of the Falklands has been greeted in some circles on the Spanish right, beyond saying that the British Government was aware of

There is, in any case, no obvious parallel between the Spanish and Argentine claims

on British territories. Spain

has tried to exert pressure over Gibraltar for years, but a military intervention has

not been in prospect.

Mr Pym's first day at the
Foreign Office included extensive briefings on the

Falklands crisis. He had to prepare himself for the formidable task of opening for the Government in the

debate on the Falklands in

force for the South Atlantic was depicted as being in-tended to strengthen diplo-

macy, while the overall aim

remained to avoid war.
But it was also being emphasized that the with-drawal of the Argentine

occupying forces from the islands remained an absolute condition for any settlement.

It has apparently been clear to the United States that if Washington was thinking in terms of any political initiatives, a solution

would have to involve the removal of the Argentine

President Reagan has said

that America would do all that it could to achieve a

peaceful solution to the

As well as having to cope

with the finer points of the crisis, Mr Pym is already

finding out that a foreign

secretary cannot focus on one subject exclusively at a

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the Commons today.

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Washington tries to head off clash

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington, April 6

As the Royal Navy's task force headed towards the open seas, the United States began a series of high level meetings in an attempt to head off an open confron-tation between Britain and Argentina over the Falk-

This morning Mr Alexander Haig, the Secretary of State, presided over a meeting of senior officials to consider ways of preventing a clash between its major ally and a leading pro-western member of the Organization of Ameri-

ran States (OAS).

This aftermoon Mr Haig was due to hold separate meetings with Sir Nicholas But last night there were no plans to change arrangements for the meeting of British and Spanish foreign Ambassador. Hese were to be followed in the evening by a discussion between Mr Haig and Senor Nicanor Foreign Minister who arrived in Washington yesterday to explain his country's occu-pation of the disputed islands to a special meeting of the

> The Americans say they are not trying to act as mediators between the Bri-tish and Argentines at this stage but are merely using their good offices to try and resolve a dispute between two of America's allies.
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> President Reagan described America's role yesterday as that of honest broker.
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> American officials admit

OAS.

they have no firm ideas yet how the dispute may be resolved, or even how the two protagonists can be prevented from opening fire on each other. "We are on each other. "We are kicking around a number of

ers. Under it Britain would cede the islands to Argentina which would then lease them which would like lease them back to Britain, in a similar way that Britain leases Hongkong from China. This proposal would also inlude a division of future oil royalties between Britain and

the Commons today.

It was being underlined that his becoming Foreign Secretary does not imply any change of policy, whatever changes of emphasis or style may emerge from the new holder of the office.

The point of departure for British foreign policy remains the United Nations Security Council resolution demanding Argentine withdrawal from the Falklands. The sailing of the naval task force for the South Atlantic Argentina.

Another idea would be to make the islands into a British-Argentine condominium. However, British officials pointed out that most of these proposals had already been rejected by Argentina and were likely to God even less favour in find even less favour in Buenos Aires now that Argentina had siezed the islands.

Popular feeling in the United States is running heavily in support of Britain at present. The British Embassy says it has been flooded by telephone calls

expressing sympathy.

American papers have also been outspoken in favour of Britain and have been critical of American attempts to maintain a middle position between the two contestants. Writing in The Washington Post today Mary McGrory, a well-known columnist, chastizes President Reagan for saying that the United States was "friends of both sides".

For most Americans, she wrote, "The choice between our oldest ally and what one incensed member of Parlia-ment called a Fascist tin-horn junta that has engaged in flagrant aggression, is a cinch". The New York Times said

in an editorial this morning that there was no sense pretending that Washington's relations with the two protag-onists was symmetrical. "The Thatcher Government is entitled to an all-out effort to persuade Argentina to back down", the paper com-mented. However it has become

clear following the Argentine Foreign Minister's address to the OAS yesterday that Latin American opinion is begin-ning to line up behind Argentina. Two key pro-Western Latin American countries— Venezuela and Brazil — have already voiced their support and most members of the OAS already recognize Argentine sovereignty over the islands.

ideas but nothing has firmed up yet", said one.

One idea which has found some favour here is a refinement of the "lease-back" proposal which has already been unsuccessfully submitted by Britain to Argentina and to the Islanders.

Having lost last weekend's Security Council debate Argentina is now attempting to rally the whole Latin America to its side. Senor Mendez called for hemispheric support for his country's seizure of the submitted by Britain to Argentina and to the Islanders. Having lost last weekend's gentina might involve the 1947 Rio Defence Treaty to counter what he termed British aggression.

However, it was also clear that Señor Mendez, by con-tinually referring to the existence of "British colonialism" hopes to gain the support of much of the Third Norld if a shooting war develops.

He sought to give the impression that Argentina had been consistently reasonable and Britain consistently obdurate during the 149 years of the dispute. He dismissed Britain's argument that the wishes of the should be the main consideration in any settlement.

Ascension prepares supplies for fleet

Ascension Island, April 6. Military activity increased today on Ascension, the strategic island in the South Atlantic when a British fleet auxiliary ship arrived and began taking on stores.

The unexpected arrival of the Fort Austin, 8,160 tons, followed the dispatch of the task force from Britain to try to retake the Falkland Island from Argentina.

Eyewitnesses said military stores were being flown into staging post on its 8,000-mile the island by Royal Air Force voyage persists, despite the C130 transports, but a security clampdown by the island's time. The office involves coping with a constant flow of advice and discussions administration meant no details were available.

Four C130 Hercules were seen on the airstrip, which Mr Bernard Pauncefort, the administrator, said yester-day, would be restricted to authorized traffic.

Mr Pauncefort has said security prevented him from saying anything about the situation, but he is to make a statement to the islanders on Thursday through their local news sheet. Speculation that the fleet

the sailing time. - Reuter. government speaks was a friendly with both countries.

World reaction

UK had too much faith — France

M Claude Cheyssson, the French Foreign Minister, yesterday described the Argentine invasion of the Faikland Islands as an "attack pure and simple," which had not been preceded by any provocation (Charles Hargrove writes from Paris). Hargrove writes from Paris). The minister, who was being interviewed on the radio, added that the security of Argentina has not been threatened by Britain. He also expressed personal regret over the resignation of Lord Carrington as Foreign Secretary.

Secretary.
The British Government, he added, had perhaps put excessive faith in nego-tiations with the Argentine Government over the future

Government over the future of the islands. This could explain the absence of preparation against the possible military landing on them.

The affair was a very serious one, this explained the very clear stand taken by the United Nations Security Council on the matter. M. Cheysson declared on Monday night in Nice, where he had gone to meet President Amadou Ahidjo of Cameroon, on a private visit to the country.

country.

"In the Malouines (Fal-klands)" he said in today's interview, "Britain has been attacked from the outside, without there being the least which, he implied, would have justified the operation as an anti-colonialist one. M Cheysson explained the viol-ence of the reaction of British public opinion by the fact that "Britain is a gret country with a glorious history gehin it. Its people acted like a nation which feels humiliated".

About Lord Carrington's resignation, Mr Cheysson said: "He is a man of great qualities, astute, experienced, with a great sense of humour. We shall miss him a lot. I would add that I am not surprised that, faced with all the criticism levelled at him in the House of Commons, he decided to take upon himself the whole responsibility for this affair, for he is a man of honour.' The minister had estab-

lished close personal re-lations with his British opposite number. They stood Franco-British relations in good stead in the rough weather which they period-ically have to face, and

M Claude Cheyssson, the prevented natural conflicts of rench Foreign Minister, interest ove Community polesterday described the icy from degenerating into rgentine invasion of the fundamental misunderstand-

ings. He added: "The decision of the Security Council con-demning Argentina is a very rare decision, and many countries in the world are going to apply themselves to persuading it to agree to a diplomatic solution. It is hard for me to imagine that a country like Argentina could ignore a Security Council decision."

Le Monde, which is not usually inclined to make any concessions to what it describes as Britain's lack of European conviction, paid a fulsome tribute to the former Foreign Secretary yesterday.
"He is probably not a convinced European (but are convinced European (but are there any in Britain?)", the paper says, "and he took good care not to reveal any differences with the Prime Minister, whose style was nevertheless the opposite of

"But his realism, his moderation, his professional-ism, earned him the respect esteem of his partners in the Community. They knew that if there existed a possibility of agreement, Lord Carrington would not let it pass by. His departure wil not facilitate agreement among the Europeans."
The French Government is

studying the British demand for the imposition of sanctions against Argentina. The demand will be studied by the experts of the Ten in Brussels. The Foreign Ministry refused to state what attitude France would adopt on the



Canberra: Cabinet recalls ambassador The Australian federal cabi- acting Foreign Minister, told

ambassador from Argentina Argentine Ambassador of the for "urgent talks" Mr Malgovernments concern. The com Dan will return to meeting was brief and the Australia immediately. Mr ambassador was given copies Anthony Street, foreign of statements made by the minister, said that the decision had been made to make during the weekexpress Australia's deep concern and condemnation of prepared to be ordered to the Falklands invasion. (Our leave Melbourne correspondent

Earlier on Monday Sir

writes).

The Government will consider implementing trade restrictions against Argentina but Mr Malcolm Fraser, Ambassador in Buenos Aires the Prime Minister, ruled out called on the Argentine sending Australian troops to Deputy Foreign Minister. The New Zealand Govern-

He said that he did not see ment had ordered the Argen-Australia going to war in the tine Ambassador to leave Falkland Islands but he had New Zealand and told the written to Mrs Thatcher and Argentine national airline to indicated that Australia discontinue its flights strongly supported Britain. between Buenos Aires and Mr Michael Mackellar the Auckland.

Pretoria: base sought

Britain has made no ap-proach to South Africa about using the Simonstown naval base, according to a spokes-man of the South African Department of Foreign Aff-Department of Foreign Aftairs (our correspondent writes from Cape Town).

The Falklands are about 3,600 nautical miles from Simonstown. A request by Britain for use of its facilities could place South Africal and dilemment.

in a dilemma. It has been cultivating good relations with South American countries recently, most of whom appear to be backing Argenti- Hague: No na.
The republic maintains with

The republic maintains diplomatic relations with Argentina, without charge d'affaires, Señor Alfredo Oliva Day, put his country's view of the dispute at a press conference in Cape Town ments to Argentina. yesterday. Meanwhile the South Afri-

make the Simonstown naval make the Simonstown naval struction in West German base available to the Royal shipyards. They will not be Navy in the crisis.

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daily Zolnierz Wolnosci tur- 🗆 Tokyo. — Britain has might use Ascension as a support to Argentina's gen- sion of the Falkland Islands, staging post on its 8,000-mile erals (Our Warsaw Corre- but Japanese officials said

remnant of the colonial empire and charged that the "smell of petrodollars in part prevented Britain from recognizing Argentina's histhrough 17 years of fruitless negotiations."
The commentary said that

the Argentine Government's dramatic decision to invade the islands and the British decision to dispatch the fleet could have consequences which went beyond the two parties concerned, as indi-cated by Saturday's stormy debate in the Security Coun-cil.

Poland abstained in the vote on the British resolution calling for a withdrawal of Argentine forces.

ments to Argentina.

A Dutch firm has a contract to provide electronic can government is being guidance systems for Argen-urged by the Cape Times to tine warships under con-

> ☐ Bonn.— If Argentina does not withdraw, the West German Government may decide to halt delivery of frigates and corvetted ordered by Argentina under a major construction programme, but cancellation would threaten thousands of jobs in West German ship-

ned its attention briefly from called on Japan publicly to problems at home to offer condemn Argentina's invabut Japanese officials said privately that it would be voyage persists, despite the spondent writes).

"informed sources" who say hat the ships will be routed past the island to cut down lands about which the British Argentina because it was

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PM knew about invasion fleet last Wednesday

FALKLANDS

The precise time at which the Prime Minier had information that an Argentinian invasion fleet was on its way to the Faikland Islands was on Wednesday evening when the Government

evening when the Government took action, Mrs Thatcher explained to the Commons.

She was persistently questioned by Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the Opposition, about press reports, including that on the front page of The Times today (Tuesday), that information about the attack was known in about the attack was known in London 10 days before. Mrs Thatcher said there was a certain amount of confusion in the reports in which there was a phrase that they knew about the ships but "they did not know their intent".

Mrs Thatcher, in the at times noisy exchanges, rejected a Labour call for her resignation. This was the time for resolution, not resignation, she said. Our mission (she added) is to restore British sovereignty to the islands

She announced that the Government had decided to impose an embargo on the imports of all goods from the Argentine from midnight Tuesday.

Argentine invasion fleet? If she cannot, will she say if she believes it possible or desirable, in the light of the long-term security interests of the Falkland Islands and to protect the exposed southern Nato flank, that a Nato base could be established in the Falklands?

Mrs. Therebear Over mission is

Mrs Thatcher: Our mission is to restore British sovereignty to the islands and to give the people what they want — the right to live under British rule and owe allegiance to the British Crown.

As for a Nato base in the Falklands, I do not think that would be well received. It is very, very far out of the Nato area. Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the Opposition (Ebbw Vale, Lab): Has she been able to study this morning the reports in many newspapers, including The Daily Telegraph and The Times, about

Telegraph and The Times, about the statement that information about the attack was known in London ten days before?

This is claimed to be on unimpeachable sources. If that was true, it would have been possible for action of interception to be taken. Will she say if that information is correct and, if it was received, what action was it was received, what action was taken by the Government? Mrs Thatcher: As I told the House on Saturday, even if action had been taken — (Labour interruptions). Will the House let me answer the question in my own way, giving the information which I am certain is accurate as

which I am certain is accurate, as I try to do and try to check these matters?
As I told the House on Saturday, even had we known at the time of March 19—(Renewed Labour interruptions)

— there was the landing at Leith on South Georgia, and that was a long time befor the 11 days Mr Foot referred to, we could not have got ships and the fleet there in time have got ships and the fleet there in time.

On the exchanges, said: On her own actions over the Falklands issue she has the overwhelming confusion in these reports and some Labour laughter).

Can she confirm whether or not our mission is to destroy the Argentine invasion fleet? If she cannot, will she say if she believes it possible or destrable.

knew there were ships; they did not know their intent.

There were further Labour interruptions and Mrs Thatcher continued: I am telling him with the greatest possible accuracy as information came to me. The first information I had was on Wednesday of last week when we took action.

took action Previously we had been very worried about the situation in South Georgia where Endurance had been and it was suggested



Browne: Nato base

that she take off the Argenti-nians by force, and we had dispositions. understood that there were ships Mr Foot: If she cannot give us

understood that we also took certain dispositions.

Mr Foot Will she answer the immediate point? Questions of British intelligence are concerned in these maters and the House has a right to judge if British intelligence was operating properly and, if so, what action was taken.

Will she tell us if the information stated here was received? Whenever she might have been informed, surely she has had the chance to look at such an accusation today and judge and tell the House and the country if such information as

country if such information as this was recieved at the time

Mrs Thatcher: I have tried to help Mr Foot. (Labour interrup-tions) If he will look at that report, the one on the front of The Times, he will see there were ships there. Their intent was not known. (Renewed interruptions) This, I understand, is what The Times says. .

FINANCE BILL

the Falkland Islands required no

change in the Government's basic economic strategy, Mr Leon Brittan, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, said when he moved the second reading of the Finance Bill.

He said the House met under the shadow of other events and

their thoughts were naturally with the naval task force in the

Islands, substantial as it is, such

strategy. There is no question of that.

However preliminary indications, such as car production and steel output, showed that there should

be some bounce-back in indus-trial production in February.

The trend in unit wage and salary costs in the three months

there to be some improvement in the February trade figures. The general picture of the economy was an increasingly encouraging one. The turning point in activity was reached last spring since when the gross domestic product had risen by 1 per cent. Industrial and commercial company profits were now recovering strongly. They rose by one-quarter in the second half of 1981.

of 1981. This should encourage invest-

Scrutiny

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The policies embodied in this



and the country an accurate answer on this matter now, will she study the matter further and she study the matter further and make another statement to the House tomorrow as many of her ministers have had to do before? Mrs Thatcher: No. I have given the accurate... (Labour shouts of "No")...information that I myself know and the action which I myself took at the time when I received it.

sir Paul Bryan (Howden, C): Is she not encouraged by the support this country has received at the United Nations and throughout the free world on the stand the Government has taken on the Fallsland Islands. on the Falkland Islands?
Mrs Thatcher: Yes. There was a
forceful resolution at the United

(Shoreham, C) before he resigned — (as Minister of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office) — in and Commonwealth Office) — in which he said clearly—and I heard the interview—that the Government had no warning of any attack until about a fortnight

We knew there were problems.

Of course, we were dealing with them on South Georgia. The precise time at which we had information that it was an invasion fleet and it was on its way was Wednesday evening. We took action then. (Labour interruptions)

I am trying to give accurate information. Previously, because of the South Georgia situation,

fallen to 11 per cent, half the rate in the spring of 1980. The figures provided evidence of a further slowing in the rate of

increase in unemployment. Over the last three months the increase in unemployment, aver-aging about 20,000 a month, had

aging about 20,000 a month, had been only one-quarter of that in the same period a year ago.

The outlook for 1982 and 1983 was an encouraging one. They expected output to continue its

landed at Leith, South Georgia, and refused to leave although they had not got proper immi-

We were in touch with Buenos Aires and said that they must go or get proper clearance to be on our territory.

We knew there was a threat that if we took them off by force Endurance might well be stopped and there were ships about which could do the stopping.

The precise threat to Port
Stanley and the Falkland Islands
came to me on Wednesday. I do

not believe that there was a precise threat to Port Stanley as long before as he says.

Mr Terence Higgins (Worthing C): The United Nations resolution was mandatory and the Argentine Government has not complied. Will she consider tabling a further resolution enforcing economic sanctions of entorcing economic sanctions of the Argentine Government? Mrs Thatcher: If we were to table a further resolution it might not have such a successful con-clusion as the resolution we have already had. Mr Allan Roberts (Bootle, Lab):

Mr Allan Roberts (Bootle, Lab):
Will she consider the consequences of the Government's
mishandling of the crisis for
quite a number of my constituents as 50 per cent of the trade
with the Argentine goes through
Liverpool Docks. That is likely to
stop as result of military action
or sanctions — which I would
support.

upport.
If that trade is stopped, will the Prime Minister make sure that Merseyside Docks, which are in crisis already, receive Government assistance to compensate, so that memployment does not increase as a result to the mishandling of the Falklands Islands crisis by this Govern-

ment. Mrs Thatcher: The extent of our exports to the Argentine has been comparatively small in relation to our total exports, so I cannot give the answer Mr Roberts seeks:

We have decided to impose an exploration on the impose and are presented on the impose of all

embargo on the import of all goods from the Argentine from midnight tonight (Tuesday).

In Mrs. Thatcher was cheered by Conservative MPs when she rose to reply to Prime Minister's questions and when she stated her refusal to resign.

She had been asked by Mr Robert Cryer (Keighley, Lab) about progress of the Government's arrangements for the girl. ment's arrangements for the visit to the United Kingdom of President Reagan.

Mrs Thatcher replied that President Reagan was to be the guest of the Queen at Windsor Castle. As announced on March 25, he

in real wages and made the economy vulnerable to external

rariament had decided that unless it voted otherwise, the threshholds and bands for income tax should be raised in line with inflation so that it was clear whether a real increase or

reduction was being proposed. This Finance Bill extended

principle to capital transfer and

capital gains taxes. It would largely eliminate the injustice of

levying taxes on future paper

Brittan: Industry will bounce

needed to compensate for in-flation in 1981 as required by the

statutory indexation provisions.

Some 1,290,000 people who would have paid tax next year would not now have to do so.

These were people on the lowest incomes and they had been kept out of tax altogether.

out of tax altogether.

The Bill represented a continuation of the long-term strategic objective of the Government to bring down inflation, restore prosperity, and reduce unemployment on a substainable basis. These were objectives no one could quarrel with.

Mr Peter Shore, chief Opposition spokesman on Treasury and economic affairs, said that the Falklands Islands events would have some implications for the wholecourse of the economy as it

wholecourse of the economy as it developed during the coming

year.
Most obviously, the events would have a clear reflection in public expenditure totals for 1982-83.

Mr. Arthur Lewis (Newham, North-West, Lab) said that Mr. Brittan had not attempted to give

any idea of the effect the event

more than the increase

Parliament had decided that

price shocks.

anxious to avoid indexation of would have on the couwages. This would have pre-economy.

vented necessary readjustments Mr Brittan said that it

Shore says Falklands will affect economy

was to be invited to address both Houses of Parliament in the Royal Gallery. The programme was still under discussion and further details would be announced

Mr Cryer: Mrs Thatcher's attempt to use the visit of President Reagan to cover up for President Reagan to cover up to her failing position is widely regarded as an abuse of this House. (Conservative protests.)

Has she noted that ever President Reagan has called for a peaceful resolution of the Falk land Islands crisis, without bloodshed? Since she is responding the fail and some control of the part of the fail to be fail and some critical the fail and some control of the fail to fail and some control of the fail and the fail a Bank today, giving the War- dlowy Bank. sible in the final analysis for the conduct of her Government, sh should be considering an ear resignation to allow somebor

Mrs Thatcher: We shall welcom President Reagan as president of our senior Nato ally and mor powerful defender of liberty if the West and liberty throughout the world.
President Reagan, like most

us, would wish a peace's solution in the Falkland Island We shall be very happy if anyon is able to secure withdrawal Argentina from the Falkland Islands and the restoration British sovereignty and

restoration of the wishes of a people

If anyone can do that, we she warmly welcome their help. Wi regard to resignation, no. Now the time for strength a resolution. (Conservative cheer Sir John Biggs-Davison (Eppi Forest, C): I warmly welcol what Mrs Thatcher has said, a welcome the personal charge: ning on May 15.
Poland will have to pay a

welcome the personal charge is taking over these affa Welcoming whatever Presid Reagan can do to bring abou restoration of British sovereig in the Falkland Islands, will and should not we all, keep mind in this difficult matter prayer of Sir Francis Da which she and many others he yesterday in Westminster Abb Mrs Thatcher: I think the pri Mrs Thatcher: I think the pra-which he must be referring is: "It is not the beginning, the continuing of the same to the end, until it be to finished". It is a very quotation under these circustances.

the beginning of December last year.

Today's ceremony was debt and hence be respon-attended by representatives sible for insuring that pay-of 20 of poind's international ments are made on time. ☐ Mr Peter Rees, Minister I Mr Peter Kees, Minister Trade, in a written reply a the ban on all imports of Argentina, said all import lice issued under existing arraments were revoked with e from midnight tonight (Tues He would consider applica from United Kingdom import of interness to import a

for licences to import a which could be shown to been in transit to the United to the

obviously impossible at this age to give any estimate of the son which was being take in response to the Falklands cris. The cost of that expending (he said) will be met in way which is consistent with the Government's economic states. (Laughter)

Mr Shore said there were is lied ambiguities in Mr Balin's response. There would clear be implications for cash lims as applied to the Defence part-

applied to the Defence

ment and perhaps to one

other departments.

There would be costs for special measures affecting and invisible trade. It we enter the national accounts accounts to the content of the cost of the cost

understood that it was to early to give any kind of a trissure because events were on show beginning to unfold. If First substantial claim on the 32-83 contingency reserve had geady been made.

If the implication of i

said was that, regardless cost involved, which they know, Mr Brittan was det

that other Government separatments should be and their expenditure with the economy havinunder-used resources, he find that was totally under-used totally under-used

able, at least to the Oppos
The evidence was now
support of the charge
made during the Budge
that the Government's
were built or an estimate

of just over three unemployed. That was

norm and, he suspected minds of Treasury minist new regulator for the

Nobody could doubt

that industry and the n had to pay for the all to

had to pay for the all to improvement in the improvement in the inflation, the fall domestic product had sharpest in the western. The unemployment had put Britain into position of major trations in this wretch All the other countries suffered seriouly back second oil shock. At alone had been self su oil.

oil.

It was ironic that the ment had demonstrated at red money supply and Government's reason flation, had demonstrated not in inflation but on reducand employment.

other departments.

Poland is given seven years to repay West

From Peter Norman, Frankfurt, April 6

have paid back in the last

nine months of last year.

The agreement provides that repayment of 95 per cent of the debt will be suspended for four years before being

high interest rate onthe falling due this year.
rescheduled debt of 1.75 per Western Government

than a year after Poland first money is to be lent to told its Western creditors Poland. service its debt to the West totalling \$27,000m. The agreement was beld up because bankers refused to sign until the Government.

The agreement reschedul-bank creditors and Mring Poland's 1981 commercial Wetold Bien, the Polish bank debt was finally signed Deputy Finance Minister and in the Frankfurt head Mr Marian Minkiewicz, the quarters of the Dresdner president of the Polish HanHais free?

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April 4. Embel

saw Government a breathing The task now facing the space in its struggle to deal Polish delegation is to get with the country's crippling negotiations started on the debt burden.

country's debt falling due Poland is being given seven this year and in subsequent years to pay its 500 western years. The two men will be bank creditors the \$2,400m staying in Frankfurt after (£1,350m) dept that it should the ceremony to talk to the ceremony to talk to bankerts on the possibility of further rescheduling agree-

The brief communique issued today by the Dresdner Bank said that negotiations paid back in seven equal six between Poland and the monthly instalments. The remaining 5 per cent amounting to \$120m will be paid as soon as possible. But the back in three three-monthly talks are likely to be fraught instalments this year begin-ning on May 15. with difficulties as Poland ning on May 15. West if it is to service its debt

Western Governments are cent above the London intervank offered rate.

The signing ceremony today took place four months behind schedule and more say ar essential if more say ar essential if more

sign until the Government in (£18.5m) to cover it for Warsaw had scratched together \$500m in interest its DM390m lending to Warsaw that it should have paid by saw. Its Luxembourg subsidiary will become international

Chinese dilemma

Planners despair as birthrate creeps up

From David Bonavia, Peking, April 6

China's economic planners three years under which and birth control specialists peasants have more freedom have watched in dismay as to farm the land for profit as

caused by the rise in birth-

A law on population control is being drafted, but There is still a fundamental
until then officials in the
rural areas, where most of ruling circles as to the causes

trative measures, such as standards are improved. financial penalties for families. The other school. with too many children, and dominant one, argues that educational and social advanthis takes too long, and that tage for those who restrict excess population prevents their fertility voluntary. rises in living standards. But their fertility voluntary.

entius as of a dout on the stil eludes China.

southern province of Guangdong has been expelled rate, which fell from 2.34 per from the Communist Party and dismissed from his factory job because his wife had given birth to her seventh child. The first six had given birth to her cent again last year.
seventh child. The first six The optimum population
were all daughters, and the for China, judged by econ-

areas over the past two or century.

the country's rate of popu- families or as small groups, lation growth has ceased its which raises the incentive to downwad trend and begun to have more children and

generation of leaders on the

Nor are all the cadres the technique of decisively enthusiastic about birth conlowering population increase trol. An official in the stil eludes China.

cent in 1971 to 1.17 per cent in 1979, started rising again in 1980 and reached 1.2 per

prejudice in favour of sons is omic factors, is assessed at still strong.

The desire for sons has been increased by the econputation of 1,300 million is omic referred to the strong to omic reform in the rural expected by the end of this

issue in Canada poll

tion fought largely on the controversial issue of control Mr Brian Peckford, the

Progressive Conservative Premier, called the election in the hope of strengthening his hand in his battle with the federal Liberal Government over the offshore question. His island province is one of Canada's so-called "have

unemployment rate. Mr Peckford says that can be redressed if Newfoundland has a free hand to exploit the underwater treasures, princi-pally oil, which lie off its

Newfoundlanders that unless they speak out now, the federal Government will attempt to seize control of the maritime oil wealth through judgments of the Supreme Court of Canada.

The Liberals - the official opposition party in the last legislature — promised to reach a compromise agree-ment with the federal Government on the offshore dispute within 90 days after taking office, should they win. They also pledged to submit the compromise to a referendum for approximately

Generally, the Liberals tried in the campaign to shift

NAPLES APPEAL ON CRIME

and obstacles facing the city's reconstruction were the principal issues discussed at a meeting here today between Signor Giovanni Spadolini, the Prime Minis-ter, and Signor Maurizio Valenzi, the communist

mayor of Naples.
Signor Valenzi came to Rome with an appeal for more help from the Government he is known to feel that Naples is increasingly threatened by violence and cannot face the onslaught. cannot face the onslaught alone. Most of the murders are ascribed to feuds between rival groups within the

for a large and determined intervention on the part of the government. His appeal comes when the Prime Minister is still facing the storm aroused by allegations that members of the secret ser-vice and others treated with the supposed head of the Camorra in prison, Signor

widespread. He has already asked the Government for special protection for areas where new housing estates are to be built Yesterday a group of seven

Rule covers classroom work only

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Department of Health and Social Security had no intention of sending inspectors to students' homes to check on whether they are doing their homework, Mr Anthony Newton, I'nder-Secretary of State for Health and Social Security, said at question time in the Commons. Mr Jeffrey Rooker (Birmingham, Perry Barr, Lab) asked for a statement about the reinterpretation of Regulation 7 (2) of the condition of entitlement regulations.

reviewing the details of the 21-bour rule in the light of the Chief Supplementary Benefit Officer's recent guidance on the interpretation of this regulation.

Our aim is to secure that the 21 hours cover classroom instruction only, subject to the intro-duction of additional safeguards to ensure that people who have withdrawn wholly from employ-ment to pursue their studies are not entitled to benefit.

The details are still under consideration, but I hope to be able to make an announcement Mr Rooker: Everyone who has been concerned about this will be grateful for the first sentence of the answer. Meanwhile, before



Newton: Additional

this instruction is changed, will he ensure that no more local DHSS offices send inspectors round to students to check whether they are doing their When we hear about millions of pensioners not getting proper benefits, it is nothing short of a scandal that the time of civil servants and local offices has

scandal that the time of crvil servants and local offices has been used over recent months for this purpose.

Mr Newton: I would like him to let me know of particular cases. We have not set in hand, nor have we any intention of doing so, the kind of investigation he describes.

Within the last few days (he added later) I have announced that further steps designed to help the take-up problem. The housing benefit scheme will bring significant help. We are have we any intention of doing so, the kind of investigation he describes.

describes.
Mr Robin Maxwell-Hyslop (Tivertna, C): It is widely believed that the regulations count homework as if it were work done at school the purposes of this regulation.

Will he take steps to correct a

mis-impression? Even if his department is not responsible for causing it but some radio commentator, it is just as important Mr Newton: It is because there is uncertainty about the position arising from the new guidance issued by the Chief Supplemen-tary Benefit Officer that I was

concerned to say what I have As to the precise situation on the rule, I am in a little difficulty. There is an appeal on this very point in front of the social security commissioners. We shall have to await the outcome of that before deciding

exactly what to do.

Mr Reginald Race (Haringey, Mr Reginald Race (Haringey, view that the PAC had access to which ensure that all claims currently made are re-assessed by the access and for which ministers DHSS and that not only is homework excluded from consideration but also travelling time?

Mr Newton: I cannot insist on. addition to those command in the command's 1982 command.

the re-assessment of claims: company's 1982 corporate plan, to which fall to be judged under the current guidance as to interpretation of the rules. It is not up to December 22, 1981.

overrule the advice of indepen-dent adjudicating authorities. What is up to us is to decide whether if the meaning of a regulation turns out to be unsatisfactors. unsatisfactory from our point of view we change the regulation. That is what we are looking at.

Mr Keith Hampson (Ripon, C): Will he ensure that when drafting new regulations his officers in the various local offices encourthe various local offices encourage young people who have been genuinely unemployed for a period of time and could benefit from courses, to take these up? There has been widespread disparity in the way this has been operated in the past by local offices.

Mr. Nauton: I am analyze and analyze the second second

Mr Newton: I am anxious to do nothing to inhibit young people who are unemployed from using

Moves to get more to claim benefit

The Government was seeking to cooperate with local authorities in well-aimed schemes to improve take-up of pensioners' supplementary and other benefits, Mr Anthony Newton, Under

nts, Mr Anthony Newton, Under Secretary of State for Health and Social Security, said. There was worry about blanket operations he added, because these might raise hopes not fulfilled and at the same time could produce great overload on local offices involved. Mr Andrew Bowden (Brighton, Kempton, C) had earlier said: It is tragic that nearly one million

That means they must be suffering hardship and deprivation. He should give maximum priority to easure that number is salary costs in the three months to January showed a rise of about 3 per cent compared with a year earlier, well below the international average and comparable with the best, which was Germany and Japan. The latest figures for exports showed some fall-off in volume from the encouraging level recorded in the previous four months. The severe weather up to mid-January had a depressing effect. He expected there to be some improvement in the February trade figures. briority to ensure that number is substantially reduced.

Mr Newton: I hope he will not overstate the case. On my information for about half of those who have not taken up their full entitlement, the amount involved is less than £2 a week.

involved is less than £2 a week.

Of course we should do
everything possible to reduce this
number and increase actual take
up. We are issuing to new
retirement pensioners a form for
claiming with their new books,
and drawing their attention
specifically to the matter.

Quite a lot of the unclaimed
benefit arises from confusion benefit arises from confusion rebates or supplementary pen-

sion. We are making sure those who still retain entitlement to sup-plementary benefit are identified

PAC access would cause difficulties

LOCAL FINANCE

If the Public Accounts Com Mr Joel Barnett (Heywood and Royton, Lab.) chairman of the Public Accounts Committee, moved a new clause during the report stage of the Local Government Finance (No 2) Bill on Monday night the purpose of which was to enable the PAC through reports from the Comptroller and Auditor General mittee of the Commons were able to call for all papers in respect of public enterprises in regard to commercial contracts and com-mercial details, it would make it difficult to make those commercial decisions and extensly difficult to get anyone to run those undertakings. Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister said when answering questions on British Leyland. Replying to Mr Tam Dalyell Comptroller and Auditor General to report to Parliament on the spending by local authorities of arge sums of money which the Commons provided. (West Lothian, Lab), who had asked if the PAC should have access to Leyland's books, she

Commons provided.

The clause provided that the Audit Commussion should undertake or promote studies of the impact on economy, efficiency and effectiveness in the provision of local authority services and in the financial management of local authorities of statutory provisions and guidance and instructions issued to them by ministers of the crown. said that it was the Government's view that the PAC had access to ministers of the crown. It; stated that the Comptroller and Auditor General should have

access to all documents and records held by the commission

recovery on a more broadly based front than last year, with industrial investment showing with the naval task torce in the Atlantic.

We wish them God speed (he said). But these events have in no way altered our resolve to continue with our basic ectionaic strategy, nor is the scale of our efforts in relation to the Falkland It was possible to see the longer-term effects of the Government's strategy working through. The signs of improvement, and the tax reductions which the Chancellor announced levying taxes on future paper gains. The Bill proposed an increase of about 14 per cent in the income tax, personal allowances and rate bands. This was 2 per Chancellor's previous Budgets.
This Budget and Finance Bill

Budget and Finance Bill stand unchanged, the said) continues the same steady strategy which is already beginning to ensure that the process of recovery proceeds on a sound and sustainable basis. No one seriously believed that they would have had the benefits of lower interest rates if the Government had accepted the advice of those who called for massive increases in the level of He wanted to nail a canard on unemployment. Contrary to what Mr Peter Shore, the Opposition spokesman had said, the Govern-There had been some disappointing industrial production figures for the winter although output was affected by the weather and industrial disputes. ment was not planning for unemployment of over three million over the next three or

million over the next three or four years.

If it were possible to bring down the level of unemployment on a sustainable basis rapidly and dramatically the Government would have jumped at it. But there was no such route and it was self-deluding to think that there was.

This was a Budget for jobs and a Budget to help industry. But it was a Budget to provide jobs on a sustainable basis. That was a painfully slow process but one which could be achieved given continued sensible moderation on the way front.

the pay front. The most important measure to help industry in the Budget did not appear in the Finance Bill. That was the decision to; restrain the borrowing requirement to keep down the burden of interest on industry. This was what counted when it came to

that did not appear in the Bill was the reduction in the national insurance surcharge, a widely disliked tax on jobs proposed and increased by Labour.

Another important measure

Indexation of social security benefits was widespread among industrial countries. In Britain, ment and make it easier to industrial countries. In Britain, finance, Retail price inflation had successive governments had been

> he should report to Parliament the results of his examination.
>
> Mr Barnett said the object was to onsure better value for money in public spending and proper and more effective parliamentary control. The classes results to Carless in the past.
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> Mr Tom King, Minister for Local Government and Environmental more effective parliamentary control. The clause sought to ensure that the House had the opportunity of looking at whether Government measures and guidance encouraged efficient local administration.

ficient local administration.

Local authorities would benefit from the kind of studies that the Comptroller and Auditor General would be enabled to do because the departments' activities vis-avis local authorities would be able to be properly checked and reports made to the Commons through the PAC.

It was a limited but important first step to help local authorities.

first step to help local authorities and the Government to obtain better value for money and to provide better accountability to the House of Commons but he the House of Commons but he did not intend to stop there.

Mr Edward du Cann (Taunton, C) said they were dealing here with a relatively limited aspect of a campaign about which Mr Barnett felt as strongly as he did—namely, the opportunity to make certain that the House had, on a continuous basis adequate. on a continuing basis, adequate information with which to

supervise the activities of the executive.

The House should be able to

The House should be able to follow public money wherever it was spent, to decide how well it cluded him from obtaining from findings so that the public in turn might judge the situation.

Government and Environmental Services, said the Government understood the concern on this issue. The clause broke new ground and provided in statute for outside appraisal of the effectiveness of Government's policies and gave the Comptroller and Auditor General a role in relation to local authorities which he had not had previously. The Government was sympa-

which he nad not not year sympathetic to the right of the Comptroller and Auditor General to examine the commission's studies showing the effect of Government's policies on value for money, but was concerned about the second paragraph of the clause which referred to his having access to all documents. and records held by the commission relating to any such

As drafted, this would give the Comptroller and Auditor General access to detailed papers of individual local authorities. This would give rise to considerable There was the concern of local government on the role of Parliament and the Comptroller and Auditor General in the Bill,

functions in respectiff any individual local author in I cannot (he said) immend to the House that amendment as it stands said be accepted. If the most of the amendment would not said, it is the Government sees it in the principle of the amendment with.

The amendment with The report stage of Concluded and the Bill read the third time by 273 votes (Covernment majority of the covernment majority of th

Benefits Bu in Lords

The Social Security and Housing Benefits Bill, which rainings the way in which people the fall sick and whose sickness revents them from working seemed and also the way in which help is given to people to met the cost of housing, was the second time. Lord Elton, Under Secretary of State for Health and Social Security, said that the Bill, which has been through its formons abolished wasteful duplication of administrative

administrative work Marriage Bills The John Francis Pare and Gillian Loder Dies Marriage Enabling) Bill and the Hugh Small and Norma Small (Marriage Enabling) Bill yere read the third time and passed.

two years. This is particularly serious because the 1980s are expecially more sons. Population control was only adopted as official because the 1980s are expolicy in 1971, having been

pected to see a baby boom resisted by some of the older rate in the mid-1950s, and the grounds that population was attainment of normal child- a capital asset. Nor is classic bearing age by the people Marxism helpful over this: it born then. regards population as a form

There is still a fundamental the high population growth of over population and the takes place, have no legal means of reducing it. One basis on which to enforce school holds that it will naturally decline once econ-They can use only adminis- omic performance and living

The other school, the

Offshore

From John Best Ottawa, April 6

Voters in Newfoundland Canada's eastern-most prov ince went to the polls today in a provincial general elecover offshore resources.

nots", with a 15 per cent

Throughout the three-week campaign; he repeatedly told

referendum for approval.

the focus of the election away from the offshore question onto more general economic issues.

From Peter Nichols

The shocking murder rate in Naples which has reached 89 since the start of the year.

Camorra, Signor Valenzi has called

Raffaele Cutole, on the subject of a kidnapped Christian Democrat politician.

The mayor's difficulties are less political but more widespread. He has already

parish priests working in the depressed San Glovanni area of Naples issued their own appeal to the Prefect, the Chief of Police and the Archbishop to take in hand as a matter of urgency ite

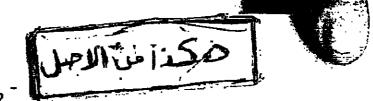
This procession morbid symbols and wholesale si Iwo policemen youths off to olice station. figur Nur - o lackson, accord American passe terrogated and 15days Bail Edays. Bail, (270) was paid le has never om since. The other we days, allege

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Haig rejects freeze on nuclear arms

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The most comprehensive control advocates.

clear blackmail.

"By maintaining the mili-tary balance and sustaining deterrence, we protect the essential values of Western

the arms race.

Mr Richard Perle Assistant
Defence Secretary said last
week that a freeze at existing
levels, as proposed by 178
members of Congress, would
lock in Soviet superiority and
reduce prospects for arms

The Administration has also been trying to regain the initiative in world public opinion that American officials concede has been captured by President Brezhnev in recent weeks.

President Reagan called for dramatic reductions in reconomy on a wartime foot-

Washington, April 6.—Mr the Soviet leader to meet him Alexander Haig, the Sec- in New York this summer to retary of State said today discuss arms control.

In the most comprehensive control advocates.

Statement so far of the Mr. Haig today rejected calls for a freeze, for renuclear arms policy, Mr. Haig nouncing the first use of nuclear weapons by the West and avoid the extremes of nuclear catastrephe and nuclear war, a position popularly known as "better "Mr. maintaining the mili-

red than dead".

A western pledge against using nuclear weapons first would be tantamount to making Europe safe for conventional aggression.

"If the West were to allow

essential values of Western civilization and preserve the peace", he said.

"In failing to maintain deterrence, we would risk our freedoms, while actually increasing the likelihood of also suffering nuclear devastation.

"In the nuclear age, the only choice consistent with survival and civilization is deterrence".

Mr Haig's remarks, in a level of those of the Soviet of the Georgetown University Centre for Stratier's latest effort to counter growing calls for a halt to the arms race.

Soviet multiple would be tantamount to making. Europe safe for conventional aggression.

"If the West were to allow Moscow the freedom to choose the level of conflict which most suited it, and to leave entirely to Soviet in a cretion the nature and timing of any escalation, we would be forced to maintain conventional forces at least at the level of those of the Soviet Union and its allies", be said.

He repeated administration arguments that freezing the arms race.

reward a decade of unilateral Soviet buildup and remove all Soviet incentive to engage in meaningful arms control designed to cut armaments and reduce the risk of war.

Western deterrence de-pended upon its ability even after suffering a huge nu-clear blow to prevent an

President Reagan called armed forces and putting the for dramatic reductions in economy on a wartime for nuclear arms in a press ing to counterbalance the conference last week, and at Soviet conventional advananother session with re- tages and geopolitical posi-porters yesterday he invited tion in Europe, he said.

Embrace of leaders: Señor Javier Perez de Cuellar, the United Nations Secretary-General, during a private audience with the Pope yesterday.

Move to close PLO office in Paris

From Charles Hargrove, Paris, April 6

down the liaison and infor- so long as thers was no proof mation office of the Palestine to the contrary.

The assasination of a diplomatic privileges and is mentioned the closing down member of the Israeli em-received occasionally at the bassy in Paris on Saturday, Foreign Ministry.

The Government seems Israeli Embassy denied this of terrorist attacks against determined to resist this Jewish organizations in the past few months, has brought son, the Foreign Minister increasing pressure on the emphasized that the PLO emphasized that the P

demonstrated last night outside the PLO office in the This was opened in Octob- what would have been its of er, 1975, and its staff does interest in the assassin- Against Racism, and of interest in the assassin- Against Racism, and of diplomatic status; but its that Mr Meir Rosenne, the head, being on the Arab Israeli Ambassador, who diplomatic list, does have called on him today had not side the PLO office in the district of Passy, in response to a call of the League district of Passy, in response to a call of the League district of Passy, in response to a call of the League to a call of the call of the

Doubts emerge on Gibraltar border

From Harry Debelius Madrid, April 6

policy spokesman sen Javier Ruperez failed to dispel doubts in Madrid today on whether the border would reopen as scheduled in two

weeks,
Madrid newspapers said
that a toughening of the
British position on the decolonization of Gibraltar could
be expected after the Argentine invasion of the Falkland
Islands. They also pointed
out that Mr Francis Pym, the
new Foreign Secretary,
would have little time to
dedicate to the Gibraltar
question until the Falklands
issue was resolved one way issue was resolved one way

Señor Rupérez took an optimistic view in an interview broadcast by the staterun Radio Nacional today saying: "As far as the Spanish Government is concerned there is a will to accommod the accommod there is a will to accommod the accommod to the accom cerned, there is a will to go ahead with those nego-nations, which imply the lifting of Spanish restrictions on Gibraltar on the one hand, and ont he other hand, talks about all the Gibraltar-related problems, including the ques-tion of sovereignity."

"I think it is in the interest of the British Government itself to maintain the rhythm of the negotiations, the calendar and the time spans which were worked out some time ago with Spain about Gibraltar."

The independent news-paper El Pais and the monarchist ABC both specu-lated that the Falklands

Reassuring words from the developments night lead to a uling centre party's foreign postponement of the restoration of land communi-cations between Gibraliar and the rest of the Iberian Peninsula on April 20.

Señor Carlos Mendo, the former London Correspondent of El Pais, remarked that recent progress on the Gibraltar issue was the result of personal contacts between Señor Jose Pedro Perez, Llorca, The Spanish Foreign Minister and Lord Carring-ton, the former Foreign

Secretary.
Senor Mendo also said that the "hypersensitivity of British public opinion at this tish public opinion at this moment, bordering on hysteria in some communications media" could be expected to inhibit Whitehall in talks aimed at "the recovery by Spain of sovereignty over the Rock."

In a front-page commentary, accompanying a photograph of Royal Navy ships leaving Portsmouth, ABC said that even if the British Government decides to go

Government decides to go ahead with the scheduled talks in Lisbon on Gibraltar, "it will be up to the Spanish Government to decide whether there is a chance that the encounters might be

Leading article in El Pais raised the question whether it was really in Spain's interests to go ahead with the plan. "Would it not be more advidable," the newspaper said "temporarily to suspend the operation until things

World on brink of war, says Gandhi

Delhi, April 6. — Mrs Indian Prime Minister, said today that the global situation was out of control and that the world was "on the brink" of world was "on the brink" of

"No country however powerful feels secure today, she told a political convention in Jannu, Kashmir. She blamed the international

blamed the international arms race.

Mrs Gandhi said that the Prime Minister of an "important country" had told her that while nobody wanted war, it was possible that everyone would get involved if one broke out. She was apparently referring to Mrs Margaret Thatcher, whom she met last month in London.

In another speech Mrs Gandhi told Army troops that India needed to be so strong that no one would dare attack it, and that "even if this was done, we should be in a position to repel such an

in a position to repel such an attack." — AP.

☐ Mr Charan Singh, aged 80, the former Indian Prime Minister, who now heads the opposition Lok Dal Party, today announced his decision to retire from "active political life". He told the Press Trust of India: "I have been Trust of India: "I have been thinking of retiring from active political life for the last two years or so, but my friends would not release me. I have, however, now taken a decision to this effect

Islamic challenge to Christians

Inquisition ghosts

From Our Correspondent, Seville, April 6

Nearly half a millenium holding any public or private after the Catholic monarchs ousted the last of the moorish kings, Boabdil, from his elegant fortress palace of the "which has been announced is to go on trial in a case which summons up memories which summons up memories and he is being prosecuted in of the Inquisition and which violation of constitutional guarantees of freedom of has drawn Christian and Muslim scribes into bitter combat in the land Boabdil

of April 4, 1986, as loved and hooded penitents filed by to about the increasing pres-dirge-like music during a ence and growing influence they week procession in the of Muslims. Apart from an Andalusian city of Selville, Stimated 100,000 for eign their shadows projected like ghosts from the past in the light of the candles they

leaflets into the air.

Curious spectators picked them up and read: "These costumes are the costumes of the Inquisition. You are celebrating mass murder and honouring masked killers. Islamic Andalusia was a free Andalusia — later came the assassins in peaked caps.

Political organizations, such as the Andalusian Socialist Party, and even foreign powers, particularly large suspected and sometimes accused in print surgence of Islam in the south for their own purposassassins in peaked caps. assassins in peaked caps. This procession commemorates the Inquisition and its morbid symbols of terrorism and wholesale slaughter".

Two policemen bustled the youths off to the nearest police station. There Mr Tigur Nur — or Benny Lee Jackson, according to his American passport, was in-terrogated and held for 15days. Bail, reportedly amounting to 58,000 pesetas (£270) was paid and he left. He has never been heard

The other young man, Senor al-Nur Coca Domin-

haunt Andalusia

guarantees ' of Senor Coca Dominguez' knew as Al Andalus.

In the early morning hours broader and highly emotional of April 4, 1980, as robed and controversy in Andalusia about the increasing pres Muslims, there are hundreds,

perhaps thousands, of native Spanish converts. organizations

to be disunited among themselves. At present, the best selves. At present, the best known one is the Suficommunity in Cordoba, the city which was the cultural centre of Europe when it was under Moorish domination, and which is led by Emir. Mansur Abdes Salam. This is the community to which the community to which Senor Coca Dominguez be longs

Some Spanish journalists and essayists, not; quite knowing what to do about the phenomenon, conjuring up visions of another takeovof Spain by the Prophet's

A prominet historian Señor Claudio Sanchez Al bornoz, wrote a series of articles, published in a num-ber of Spanish newspapers in which, as he put it, he "broke a lance" in favour of

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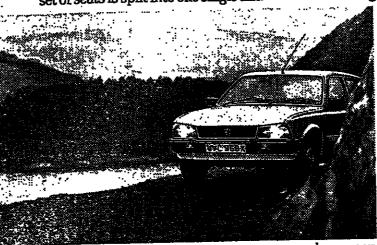
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teachings of Muhammed is "broke a lance" in favour of expected to be brought to the cause of Christian Spain, trial soon in Seville on a denouncing the cruelty of the charge of "disrespectful and medieval caliphs and asking outrageous behavior towards Spanish women how they religion." He faces a sen-would like "to once again be tence of up to one year and objects of pleasure in the one day if convicted, in harems" or be sold in slave addition to a six-year ban on markets.

senor al-Nur Coca Dominguez, was interrogated for two days, allegedly about his religion, then released on 100,000 pesetas (£541) bail. Senor Coca Dominguez, a native Spaniard, a school-teacher and a convert to the followers.

Britain opposes EEC workers' rights plan From Ian Murray, Brussels, April 6

Britain stood out alone today against proposals for a considered that voluntary guidelines such as those laid down by the International down by the International large companies the right to consultation and employment protection.

From Ian Murray, Brussels, April of the International ment and employees, and considered that voluntary guidelines such as those laid down by the International Cooperation and the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development were sufficient, Britain and its possible legal commission.

protection. An informal meeting of employment ministers in Brussels took a preliminary look at the idea. While most countries wanted to await Parliament's decision on the matter, Mr Norman Tebbit, the British Minister, made it clear that legally binding measures on the subject were contrary to the approach of

his Government. Mr Tebbit said that the Government favoured good relations between manage supported by

did not like legal compulsion in this area.

The British Government had no objection to individual countries' introducing national legislation of this kind, but he believed it was not something to be imposed on all member states.

France, which is in the process of drawing up legis-lation of this kind, said that experience proved that voluntary standards were not observed unless they were

Eoreign Secretary, may have part to prevent this happenlittle time at the moment for ing. Islands crisis, but he will nevertheless have to start

EEC budget, which was due to have been discussed by a special meeting of EEC foreign ministers in Luxem-bourg last Saturday that had to be cancelled because Lord Carrington could not be

present.

Lord Carrington hated the hard grind of EEC negotions, particularly because he so often found himself in the unenviable role of protecting British interests against the assaults of most and sometimes all the other nations. times all the other nations. Nevertheless, he is a pro-foundly committed European and regarded the hard work of the meetings as something of a cross he had to bear on behalf of the European ideal.
His convictions not only

won him the respect of his opposite numbers from the other countries, but meant he was prepared to work harder for a compromise than might a more nationalistic minister. Since coming to office, he had amassed a considerable experience and knowledge of the subject which was a vital element in Britain's negotiat-

ing position.
Mr Pym will have to work hard to assimilate the intricacies of the dossier before the next meeting of the foreign ministers, now scheduled for April 27 in Luxembourg. He will have to take up the negotiations at a particularly delicate moment, with Britain for once precariosly in a camp with nine other countries seeking to persuade France to use a complicated compromise formula as a basis for

position at this meeting could easily swing the other countries impatiently behing the French position and it will meet all the help they ment.

From Ian Murray, Brussels, April 6 Mr Francis Pym, the new take great skill on Mr Pym's

Before the April 27 meeting there is to be a further three-day meeting of the reading himself in very agriculture ministers starting on April 20. Britain has all along maintained that there as to be a direct link between any agreed farm price review and the final budget package.

This is because so much of the budget is spent on agriculture that any increases in prices must mean that Britain would have to bear more of the cost of such an increase than any other

10.5 per cent average suggested by the European commission and that a revaluation of green rates could be agreed.

The biggest difficulty was in negotiating a price for

wine, with France pressing very strongly in the face of almost total opposition that this had to be agreed on its

This alone makes it unlikely that France will on its own decide to implement national aids for its farmers covering the difference between current EEC farm rices and the 10.5 per cent Commission proposal. It would be difficult for France to justify such a move, which would put severe strains on the common agricultural policy at a time when it is one of the main countries holding up agreement on the price package.

The wine dossier is a principle one for behind the scenes negotiation over the next fortnight. Therefore, so that it will be the more easy to agree agriculture prices at the next meeting and so clear the way for a settlement of Any hardening of Britain's the budget question, Britain's

Reagan woos pro-west Caribbean premiers

From Jeremy Taylor, Port of Spain, April 6

Jamaica tomorrow for a Pilgrim and Grenada's Prime short official visit on his way to an Easter weekend in have pointedly not been

The trip was originally On Easter Sunday the planned as a working holiday Reagans will worship in a at the invitation of the seventeenth-century Angliveteran film actress Claucan church.

Mr Reagan will be the first likely to leave Mr Reagan incumbent United States little time for sunbathing or talking over old Hollywood

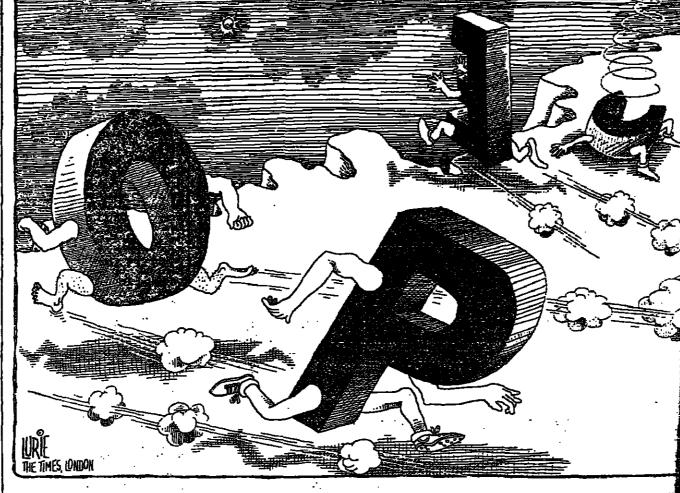
In Jamaica the President playing down the trip's will meet Mr Edward Seaga, significance. the Prime Minister, his "Barbados is a nice country." can leaders from the smaller week, "and the President eastern Caribbean islands, deserves a vacation." including the Prime Ministers of Barbados, Antigua, clearly to show an American Dominica and St Vincent.

President Reagan is due in Prime Minister Mr Michae invited.

> president to set foot in the English speaking Caribbean, where American officials are

strongest Caribbean sup-try," said Mr Robert Ryan, porter, while in Barbados he coordinator of Mr Reagan's sup- try," said Mr Robert Ryan, will meet several pro-Ameri- Caribbean basin initiative last

But the real objective is Left wing leaders in the pro-Western, free enterprise area - St Lucia's interim governments in the area



Crusaders in a dugout

Iranian guest for martyrdom

From Robert Fisk, Dusalli, Heights, Western Iran, April 6

The dugout was small, with this claustrophobic bunker of thick dust in the air. There sand and dirt.
were weapons attached to the mud-and-wooden framed many should be so apparently were weapons attached to the mud-and-wooden framed walls — a captured Iraqi sub-machine gun and an auto-matic rifle — and a few steel young man, bearded and helmets piled in a corner. intense with a rifle in his The light from the sand-bag-ged doorway forced its way a dirty rug by the entrance. In the West, he said, it was sing the features of the six difficult — erhaps impossible young Iraaian soldiers in one — to understand Iran's young Irnaian soldiers in one — to understand Iran's admensional perspective, like apparent desire for martyran Orpen painting of the dom, But, we asked, did he First World War trenches.

from Dezful.

There, however, the parallel ended. For the youngest soldier was only 14, his voice unbroken by either fear or adulthood. The oldest was 21, an Islamic volunteer from Iran's "Reconstruction Crusade," who expounded the principles of martyrdom as the guns hoomed away disthe guns boomed away dis-

tantly outside.

We were just six miles from the Iraqi frontier, at the very northern tip of the Iranian Army's newly-extended and potentially vul-nerable front-line. Martyr-dom is an oft talked-off subject here, much revered because it is much witnessed. The 14-year-old said two of his friends from Kerman had own age and the other only a year older. He had cried, he said, when the authorities delayed his journey to the battlefront. His comments were at one and the same time both incredible and genuine, clearly unstaged since we had only by chance run to his dugout when we took cover from the shell fire

Quasqavi seemed grateful for the shell burst. "Our first duty," he proclaimed, "is to kill the enemy forces so that God's order will be every-where. Becoming a martyr is not a passive thing, like standing somewhere and waiting to be killed. It is an active thing. Hussein, the Third Imam, killed as many of his enemies as possible before he was martyred, so we must try to remain alive."

If we could not understand

this, Quasqavi explained it was because the European

Renaissance had done away

with religion, no longer paying attention to morality

or to the ethics, concentratng only upon materialism. There was no staunching

Tahoe City, California.

Miss Anna-Maria Conrad

was recovering after spend-

ing five days and nights

buried under an avalanche at

Alpine Meadows ski resort

The avalanche killed seven

other skiers. Miss Conrad,

who is 22, was saved by an

air pocket 5ft long and 2ft

wide. She was unharmed except for a few bruises and

slightly frostbitten feet.

There was no monstrous anger of the guns, only a dull, occasional vibration to indicate that the Iraqis had not abandoned all their artillery when they retreated from Dezful.

There however the parallel want to die in this war?

The young man spoke loudly, with monotone passion, preaching rather than answering our question. Hassan Qasqavi, soldier of the volunteer Reconstruction Crusade, was a man whose Crusade, was a man whose face went beyond such ques-

> "It is impossible for you in the West to understand", he said. "We do not seek death but we regard death as a journey from one form of life to another and to be martyred while opposing God's enemies brings us closer to God.

"There are two phases to martyrdom: We approach God, and we also remove the obstacles that exist between God and the people. Those who create obstacles for God in this world are the enemies of God."

There could be no doubt Skier buried tile forces. Indeed, as if on IOT TIVE days cue from God rather than the Army of President Saddam Hussein of Iraq, there was a loud rumble of artillery and Qasqavi raised his finger towards beaven. . .

We waited to see where the shell would land, fearing the direct hit that soldiers prefer not to think about. There was the trench parapet beyond the trench parapet beyond ever, which of the soldiers the bunker, the vibration most clearly understood the ideology of martyrdom inside out. a bursting explosion outside

wary on détente From Dessa Trevisan Belgrade, April 6

> useful and necessary, tinuing the impression the talks had helpe clarify respective pos but that differences rem

> York later this year. As Mr Bromyko w

this monologue, no oppor-tunity to transfuse this belief with arguments about hu-manism or love. "Europe and the West have confined spiritual issues to the corner of churches", Quasqavi went on. "Western people are like fih in the water; they can only understand their immediate surroundings. They mediate surroundings. They don't care about spirituali-

He bade us goodbye with no ill will, offering us fresh Shiraz oranges as we left the dugout for the dangerous, bright sand outside. ers alone.

force and intervention peace be a lasting one Nevertheless the comminque underli

generalties on which the sides could easily agreement, such necessity of stopper arms race.

The visit therefore ended by reaffirming resective positions but the poslavs went further than the Soviet proposals as a steep the proposals as a ste right direction.

Belgrade

Mr Andrei Gromykok he Soviet Foreign Minister, hid on leaving Belgrade tha his two-day visit had been oth

Mr Gromyko, how refused to comment President Reagan's pre-to meet Mr Brezhnev in first high ranking Russ in to visit Yougslavia since resi-dent Tito's death in May 1980, the visit was talk up

almost entirely by to international affairs. The object of the vi the Soviet Union, was Yugoslavia's blank support for Mr Bree proposals for peace although Yugoslavia comed the proposals principle that anything

at disarmament was with still maintains the vi cannot support confined to two majo

The view was emissized when Mr Josip hovec Yugoslavia's Foreign dinister, said that only by moving the causes of tasion, which in the Yugoslaview se or final

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Letter from Moscow

Galloping automania afflicts Russians

Go to a smart party in Moscow nowadays and you will find people clustered round the guest of honour, filling up his drink, inviting him to their daches, and surreptitiously scribbling down his private phone number. It man be a wellknown actor or poet, but more likely the star of the evening is someone every top official wants to get to know a good garage mechanic.

The age of the automobile

has descended on the Rus-

sians with a vengeance. The business of buying, running and maintaining a car must be more time-consuming and fray more tempers in this country than almost anywhere else. It is not simply that cars are hard to get and cost a great deal. You have to be a crook, a millionaire of a self-taught mechanic if you want to keep you car on the road. Car production is out-stripping that of spare parts and the growth of garages at an alarming rate. Of 750,000 new vehicles produced each year, the state repair stations can handle only 38 per cent. One newspaper calculated that a private motorist in the provinces spends on average 60 hours to get one repair performed. And even then he cannot be sure his car comes home any better. A spot check at Moscow's central service station for Zhiguli cars — the popular version of the Fiat — found excessive exhaust emission in seven cars in a row which had just had their carburet-

tors adjusted. When the inspector tested the brakes of one car it practically refused to stop. The station foreman ex-plained that the car's new plained that the car's new brake shoes would perform poorly "only for the first 20 to 50 kilometres", but said that in any case the garage was simply asked to fit them, not to make sure they worked.

> Making spares is new cottage industry

The answer of course is to get the job done privately on the side — as half all Soviet car-owners do. For this you need a good mechanic who can not only get away with moonlight-ing but can lay his hands on the clusive spare parts... The simplest way is to steal The simplest way is to steal them from the state garages, thus making the shortages, worse. Some enterprising mechanics fashion the required pieces on home latties, and this has grown into quite a cortage industry. cottage industry. broke down near Kursk in

I know of a man who the depths of southern Russia He was told he would have to wait four weeks for the required part. but he could find help at the local computer factory. When he made the right contact there, the man was apologetic because he could not provide that particular part on the spot, "But wait a couple of hours, and we'll get it made." It turned out

that virtually the entire workforce was engaged not in manufacturing computers but in improvising much needed car spares.

It is worse if you are one of the few lucky Russians to boast a foreign car — the ultimate in prestige. The problem is that diplomats who ship home their new Mercedes, or baller stars, who use the cash earned on foreign tours to get a Volvo, do not realize the toll the Russian winter and the spring roads take on even the hardiest foreign car. And back home there are no foreign car agents of available sums of foreign cur-

rency to import spares.
Of course, the mechanics at the state garage that services foreigners' cars have not been slow to see their way to a fortune. If you send your Volvo in to get the wheels balanced, you may find it comes home minus six os seven vital engine parts. It demands a great deal of vodka and other worthwhile considerations to ensure the mechanic's loyalty is to you and not to his other clients.

> Service stations... may go into private sector

Most Russians remove any extras that can be purloined: wing mirrors often find their way into women's handbags as make-up mirrors and windscreen wipers can vanish in five minutes. There was a nice irony when Christina Onassis married her Russian husband in Moscow. As the happy couple emerged from the Palace of Weddings, the the Palace of Weddings, the richest woman in the world was escorted to her husband's waiting grey Volga, from which he had carefully detached the wipers in case; they were nicked during the wedding ceremony.

emony.

But all this does not dampen rising automania in the Soviet Union. Georgians are the worst affected. I was once approached by a swarthy man as I was getting into my modest Zhiguli and offered thousands of roubles in cash on the spot. When the British Ambassador was rash enough to take the official Rolls down to Georgia a few years ago, his party had to fend off prospective buyers who produced astronomical sums in fat wads from their pockets. It is even rumoured that, one by one, cars from the exotic fleet in President Brezhnev's stable have been finding their way down to the southern free-Soviet officials

seriously talking now about turning the service stations over to the private sector in order to cope, and experiments have began on these lines in the Baltic republics. Officials have tried everything to hold back the sales of cars, from doubling the price of petrol to lengthening the waiting lists for purchases.

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Paternal powers

Television

Last night was Authority Night. Young Arnold in QED (BBC 1) could not get enough of it and was serio-comically instructed in the New Lifemanship of power by figures as old as Macchiavelli and as new as John T. (Dress for Success) Molloy. Pope John Sent II (Everyman, BBC 1) was perhaps grabbing back too much — not for himself, the distinction was master, but for his office. Whistling Wally (Play for clear, but for his office. Whistling Wally (Play for Today, BBC 1) had given up the authority of a father in order to make the lads in the pub laugh and forget the awfulness of their lives in the Wine will whilst everyone. rolling mill, whilst everyone wanted a great deal more authority — as, indeed, of everything else they already possessed in abundance, this possessed in additionance, this being the West Coast of America — in Desmond Morris's new series, The Human Race (Thames).

Best of all is to be a Californian bishop and dress in the clothes of the Euro-pean Counter-Reformation: that way you not only reach the altar unmolested down a broad division of the devout and get to christen the baby or confirm the child, but you are. Dr Morris told us, invested with the Authority of Time. Which brings us back to the Pope.

Despite a trick of speaking about the media as if it were a distasteful social disease virulent beyond the Everyman patch, Peter France's doctrinal summary of Karel Wojtyla was instructive and sharp, the best programme of the might. The silliest, by far. the night. The silliest, by far, was The Human Race, whose ingredients — freeways, tits, Vivaldi, bums, drums and sunset over the Bay became as predictable as its analogies between primitive and sophisticated human and animal behaviour now seem glib, dated and banal.

OED, also new last night, should turn out less homogenized since it aims to popularize general science, medicine and technology in a different way each weak the different way each week: the first programme was fun, but fey. Wally K. Daly's play was unsentimental and touching: the pub clown died of cancer, and the son grew up in the days around the death. The message was that of Storey, Barstow and Braine: get out now, even if you come back later, and the boy did. Well acted by Mark Botham and Kenneth Farrington; pro-ducer, Innes Lloyd, director Gerald Blake.

Cinema

A creation of mankind

'Ouest for Fire', already with cult status in the United States, opens in London tomorrow. George Perry interviews its director and investigates the extraordinary problems of location shooting

"For years I have wanted to do a film about mankind's start — the last lap before modern man," says Jean-Jacques Annaud, director of Quest for Fire. His film opens in London tomorrow after success in Annaud's native Paris, and the United States, where it has assumed an immediate cult status. Prehistory has attracted film-makers before, but rarely seriously. "I looked at several — Raquel Welch with the dinosaurs in One Million to three hours each day before filming having moulded latex face masks applied to give their features dinosaurs in One Million applied to give their features years BC and Prehistoric an ape-like aspect. Perlman, a way New Yorker, comments: bikinis walking through a Shepperton forest." Annuad has used a novel by J. H. Rosny Senior, published in France in 1911, as the basis of his film, which attempts to France in 1911, as the basis the day when they took them of his film, which attempts to conjure up a realistic paleolitic Europe 80,000 year ago. litre of perspiration inside." with vast, untamed plains and initially the film was to mountain ranges, swamps have been shot in Iceland and mountain ranges, swamps and dense forests, where herds of mammoths and herds of mammous and them to drop the project. sabre-toothed tigers are still them to drop the project. extant, sharing existence Another company, Twentieth extant, burnaris in various Century-Fox, picked it up but extant, sharing existence with humans in various

ages of development. the Screen Actors' Guild strike foiled production. With stages of development. screenwriter on many films changes of key personnel it screenwriter on many films from Knife in the Water onwards] and I agreed that the book as it stood was a disaster, and we quickly left it behind. But there was substituted for Iceland. For months the cast faced consomething in it I loved — this sense of prehistoric fear.

"It's like science fiction without the technology, but with the feelings. Hardly anything is known of these early men, but it is not hard to see that those with intelligence could win and survive. Possession of fire meant the ability to make metal tools, to cease to be primitive. There was some-thing mystical about the flame. Once they had it they would keep it going for years
— it mustn't die."

ter, and the boy did. Well the actors communicate in the actors communicate in real words rather than use a long lens for much of the actors. Burgess applied the actors along lens for much of the actors applied the actors applied the actors says Annaud, "I real words rather than use a long lens for much of the time. Technique kills art. I stay far enough away that or creating a prehistoric philology with relish. Similarly, Desmond Morris was asked feel free. This is not a film Brach and Annaud asked



Naoh (left), Gaw and Amoukar (Everett McGill, Nameer El-Kadi and Ron Perlman) take refuge from a tiger

the lab technique did not of those within, sheltering fit the picture. The pleasure from the cold. Eventually the a director comes from as a director comes from scene directing good actors and the Canada.

The hardest part was shooting with animals, parshooting with annual, particularly the elephants."

Jimmy Chipperfield rounded up a number of circus elephants who were disconticularly the control of the c patched to the Scottish highlands and given hairpieces and lengthy tusks to simulate mammoths. They were a disaster. On the first day they charged the wrong way, destroying the camera tent. Fourteen elephants trampled on the equipment boxes containing cameras, lenses, filters, spares worth thousands, and miraculously (a great tribute to the sturdiness of Samuelson's cases) not a single one was broken. On the second day again they went in an unexpected direction.

Dawn Chong, a coat of grey paint with chipmunk stripes. "If Jean-Jacques wants us to act miserable then he believes that the circumstances must be miserable" says Perlman after a hard day at Lake Magadi, near the straight into a morass, and one of their number nearly Tanzania border. "It's very drowned. Filming was at a standstill while a hundred people tried to work out how easy to find oneself making a modern gesture when you're barefoot on needle-sharp to extricate an elephant from a Scottish bog, scarcely an everyday problem. On the third day the recalcitrant creatures attacked their cos-tumes and tore their furry rugs off. On the fourth day they ran on past the camera and stampeded the wardrobe

with elaborate special effects tent, much to the discomfort scene was completed

Annaud is 38, infectiously enthusiastic, at his best when the going is rough. He likes to regard himself as the Gallic equivalent of Alan Parker and Ridley Scott. Like them he was a highly suc-cessful director of television commercials. He dropped his lucrative career at roughly the same time as they did and moved into features. His first, a satire on war and colonialism in Africa, Black and White in Colour, won an Academy Award. His second was Coup de Tête, a send-up of bourgeois hyprocrisy in a small French town. Quest for Fire is only his third film; he does not believe in churning them out.

"A very busy director will do a film a year. I'll do one every three. I believe in staying very close to my work — I think that must be a European attitude. I cannot plan out my career a long way ahead. In a way I admire people who can write another film while they are shooting one. Even as we sit here in this Nairobi restaurant at dinner, the only thing I have in the forefront of my mind is the scene that I shall be shooting tomorrow."

Dance

Opera Nureyev's Paris The Force of Destiny

Dominion Whether it be destiny, acci-Whether it be destiny, accident or coincidence that plots the moves in the operatic narrative, it can only seek theatrical salvation through Verdi's music. For various reasons this was far from being achieved when the Welsh National Opera decided to oney their week-long to open their week-long Amoco Festival of Opera with it on Monday.

Odd to announce it as La forza del destino when it is sung in English, although I sung in English, although I should have remembered that its East German producer, Joachim Herz, prefers opera always to be given in the language of its audience. Presumably in this case he is anxious for the political message to get across having message to get across having altered (with consent) some passages in Andrew Porter's translation so as to give it not only "social relevance" but a racialist slant which is seen to be reinforced by the

Kenya, but a management shift at Columbia caused

months the cast faced con-

ditions iranging from the bone-rotting chill of the Cairngorms to the baking heat of a Kenyan soda lake, wearing only their skins, or in the case of the girl Rae

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casting.
It cannot be said to help It cannot be said to help much else, for both the black tenor Moises Parker, as Don Alvaro, and the white bari-tone Norman Phillips, as the vengeful Don Carlos, sound-ed greatly overstrained by the vocal demands, especially in their confrontations. The tenor was at least ingratiating in tone, but their inadequacy for these particular roles called in question such a choice of opera for the Welsh company's repertory.

Welsh company steperson Richard Armstrong's conducting was a redeeming feature, giving the music its required breadth and spirit, and drawing a notably good orchestral response. Elizabeth Vaughan had the meaning a leonora in vocal sure of Leonora in vocal character, though not in sustained line: her scene with Don Garrard's splendid Father Superior was the rather Superior was the highpoint of a performance which; as a warning to the unwary, runs more than two hours before the first (and only) interval, showed in the middle of Act III.

For much of this time thought the production held the sprawling narrative together quite well in spite of generally dour designs.
Thereafter not even the
excellent chorus singing
could save it from falling apart amid the topless incursions in the tarantella (Claire Powell a spirited Preziosilla). The abrupt return to Verdi's first ending, discarding the final trio, is neither musically nor dramatically persuasive.

When Rudolf Nureyev walks into the ballet director's administrator, Massimo office at the Paris Opera in Bogdianckino.

September next year he will be taking on one of the most be taking on one of the most difficult, but potentially rewarding, jobs to be found in the world of dance today. One of the oldest companies in Europe, the ballet of the Paris Opera can trace its foundation back to 1661. It has also proved in recent has also proved in recent years to be one of the hardest to direct and, since

and any number of strikes by both dancers and technicians, the dancers and technicians, the dancers have maintained an astonishingly high level of technical attainment, as London audiences will see for themselves when the company visits Covent Gardon in Like this year What is company visits Covent Garden in July this year. What it has lacked since the departure of Lifar is a leader strong enough, and with adequate backing, to cope with the byzantine intrigues of the rigidly structured house. Nureyev, it is widely thought will carry this kind thought, will carry this kind of authority and has worked

His contract runs for three

years, starting with the 1983-84 season (Rosella Hightower, the outgoing director whose resignation is effective from July this year, has agreed to stay on for one further season). Nureyev's contract requires him to be with the company for 180 days, roughly half the year, and he will dance with them the resignation of Serge about 40 times each season.

Lifar in 1959, has seen a He will be responsible for Lifar in 1959, has seen a succession of directors, few of whom have lasted for more than a few years.

Throughout its history, which in the last decade has included at least one closure, and any number of strikes by of The Nutcracker and Romeo and Juliet. He also has in mind a new production of Swan Lake, but for this, rather than importing the production he made for the ballet of the Vienna Staatsoper he spoke of mounting a er, he spoke of mounting a version as close as possible to the 1895 Petipa original.

Judith Cruickshank

Art Blakey

To most bandleaders, the problem of replacing the prodigious Marsalis brothers, creative alertness.

The holdovers from the Messengers who so memorably visited Frith Street towards the end of last year are Bill Pierce, the tenor saxophonist whose gravity and self-possession never distill into mere solemnity, and whose ideas are so complex as to suggest those of Warne Marsh translated to of Warne Marsh translated to a hard-bop context, and Charles Fambrough, now perhaps the best double-bassist of his kind, which is to say that he can walk a 4/4 with huge authority and considerable imagination.

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always its music in sharp, exhilarating focus. The violin

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the knowledge of what they have learnt inside it. undergraduate entertainers emerging from the university stage only to be told they are not as good as Jack Hulbert, Jonathan Miller or John The various boss figures bullying attorneys, captains of industry—are built up from the model of a tutor There is nothing in this show that tempts you to predict a glittering theatrical who cannot remember a student's surname but finds it deeply suspicious that his future for any of the five members of the company, friends call him Kim. It is only one move from this collegiate ogre to the beambut jointly their personalities and separate skills do form an effective company, and — an unusual merit in Oxbridge revue — they spend at least as much time in making fun

of themselves as in having a jolly good old sneer at the world outside. world outside.

A strong sense of unjustified privilege runs through the show, as in Emma Thompson's hippophilic envy of working-class children who go to day schools and thus escape being separated from their ponies for three whole months, and Hugh for nothing more energetic than pouring out dry sherries, but who possesses thus escape being separated from their ponies for three whole months, and Hugh Laurie's description of the

Unjustified privilege

ideological torment he went through before accepting a whacking grant from the UGC. They even have a heartfelt blues on lacking anything to feel blue about.

Francier projections of (the castle door is opened by

(the castle door is opened by a ghoul called Travolta), and a Dickensian last chapter where the orphaned heroine is reunited with her fatherly protector who briskly orders her down to the kitchens.

These are mildly amusing, as are an education debate conducted in Unwinisms, a stream - of - consciousness chess match and a running chess match and a running gag featuring a sculpture called "Conversation Piece" which strikes its viewers

dumb. However, with the excep tion of the concluding Ayckbourn charade, there is nothing you could call hilarious; and too much nonsense collegiate ogre to the beaming executive who has just published a pamphlet on "Sacking for Pleasure", and the Cabinet resolution to dispatch Edward Fox to sort out the Argentines.

The specialist in top dogs is Stephen Fry, a harmless lanky figure who seems built for the special state of the special st one item where the show breaks out of its undergraduate shell to say something direct and frightening about the life beyond it.

Irving Wardle

Concerts

His technique was tested to

the full in the finale of the eleventh concerto in D, but he held his own (he even encored two movements). His musicianship was heard at its greatest in the C minor concerto called "Sospetto", whose manner closely approaches J. S. Bach. There was never a moment when Menuhin's audibility was in doubt, in a hall where soloists are supposed still to be acoustically underprivileged. grammes. On Monday they already sounded at home there: it may not be irrelevant that their soloist for the evening was Yehudi Menuhin, who has worked a decountries of the soloist for the evening was Yehudi Menuhin, who has worked a soloist soloist soloist soloist soloist soloists.

William Mann

Perlman/Canino

Festival Hall

When the C major Fantasy, D934, for violin and piano had its first performance, in Vienna in 1828, the year of Schubert's death, a news-paper critic wrote: "The hall gues, the performance of Handel's A major Concerto Grosso from the Op 6 set, typified Maksymiuk's musicgradually emptied and your correspondent admits that making.

The soft countertheme, in the first movement, was boldly dapper, almost foppish, yet so evacular distributions of the countertheme admits that he, too, is unable to say how this piece finished." Well, Itzhak Perlman and Bruno Canino played it on Monday pish, yet so evacular distributions of the countertheme. pish, yet so exactly controlled as to remain always well-mannered. The fugue the end.

The fugue the end.

Though not well known, its

Deutsch number indicates that the Fantasy was written in proximity to such works exhilarating focus. The violing solo passages were exquisitely delivered by Jan Stanienda, as if to say "Trump that, Yehudi". as the Winterreise song cycle and E flat Piano Trio. But Stanienda, as if to say
"Trump that, Yehudi".

On came Menuhin to play three concertos from Vivaldi's celebrated Op 8, and out came the trumps. Menuhin excels in music which he has known for a long time, but does not often play at concerts; he loves it especially if it is difficult, as for Josef Slavik, whom much in these concertos is.

At the minute of the say and E flat Piano Trio. But after a characteristically either a characteristically with great purity on this occasion, this is a quite different proposition. In place of, say, the private griefs of Winterreise, there is grandiose brilliance, and concerts; he loves it Schubert in fact composed it especially if it is difficult, as for Josef Slavik, whom much in these concertos is. concerts; he loves it especially if it is difficult, as much in these concertos is. Maksymiuk did not allow him Paganini".

to dawdle, but Menuhin was game, and gave us classical violin playing to clean the ears and ravish the senses.

Yet although Mr Perlman — and Mr Canino at the piano — took full advantage of the opportunities it ofpiano — took full advantage of the opportunities it offered, their interpretation was, of course, an acutely musical one. Indeed, there was much highly expressive playing in the Fantasy's central variations, these being on Schubert's earlier song, "Sei mir Gegrusst".

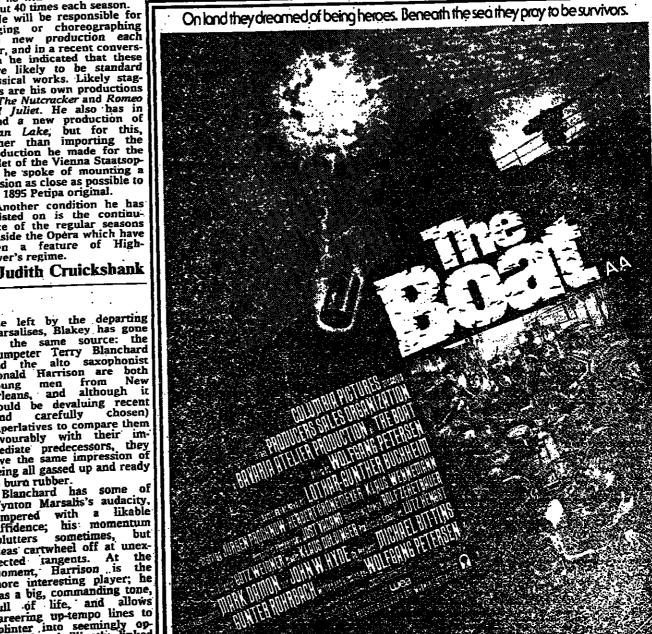
This piece was preceded by a Sonata in D major by Handel, a substantial and comparatively late work. Mr Periman's violin tone was beautifully sweet in the two slow movements, which had a striking air of spaciousness. The two Allegros were decisive yet utterly relaxed, the contrapuntal features of the first being nicely pointed by each performer. However, I must confess that I found these less engaging than the canonic writing in Schubert's opening movement when his first Hungarian style theme

is recapitulated.
Stravinsky based his ballet
The Fairu's Kiss on music by Tchaikovsky and later ar-ranged an orchestral suite from it which he named Divertimento. The Divertimento for violin and piano derives from this, being, therefore, Stravinsky's reduction of his arrangement of his recomposition of Tabelkowsky's original pieces. In the hands of Messrs Perlman and Canino both composers survived these

various processes well.

In this form the Divertimento is, in fact, an agreeably astringent set of four movements, and Monday's reading balanced an appreciation of the music's inventive wholly any feeling wit with a wholly apt feeling of intellectual excitement. On melodic, harmonic and especially rhythmic planes Stravinsky makes countless departures from Tchaikovsky's texts, and we were led towards a proper understand-ing of their significance.

Max Harrison



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Another condition he has insisted on is the continuance of the regular seasons outside the Opera which have been a feature of High-tower's regime.

Ronnie Scott's

whose own ensemble made its bow in New York last week, would have been terrifying. For Art Blakey, however, it is merely another chapter in the history of the Jazz Messengers since 1954; wisely, he uses such goings and comings to maintain the group in a constant state of

Noël Goodwin | To fill the gaps in the front

line left by the departing Marsalises, Blakey has gone

to the same source: to the same source. The trumpeter Terry Blanchard and the alto saxophonist Donald Harrison are both men from New Donald Harrison are both young men from New Orleans, and although it would be devaluing recent (and carefully chosen) superlatives to compare them favourably with their immediate predecessors, they give the same impression of boing all gassed up and ready being all gassed up and ready

to burn rubber.

Wynton Marsalis's audacity, wynton Marsaits's audacity, tempered with a likable diffidence; his momentum splutters sometimes, but ideas cartwheel off at unexpected tangents. At the more interesting player; he has a big commanding tone. has a big, commanding tone, full of life, and allows careering up-tempo lines to splinter into seemingly op-posed but brilliantly linked fragments. Together with Pierce, they maintain throughout the unit's outstanding repertoire the sense of barely suppressed en-semble power which was a hallmark of the last line-up.

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By jingo, we're all rooting for you

Members of the numerous but not usually very gregarious British community in Washing- "HMS Principle"? Backed by the British community in Washington were by last Saturday closing. ranks. Expatriates who have not thought of home for years met and abruptly asked each other if they had yet enlisted. Even those who have all but renounced their allegiance to the Queen for the pecuniary rewards of working as an international civil servant in the World Bank had a rush of blood to their heads.

A rather dour acquaintance, who one has always suspected must have come here after being cashiered from the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers for an unspeakable offence, brightened appre-ciably as he said: "I did not think that there would ever again be the occasion to fight for the empire". Another waxed with indignation as he corrected an American: "By God, man, do you not understand that it is a crown

There were 50 princesses in the city on Saturday, each from a different state, celebrating the annual cherry blossom festival. But not even they could compete with the news, which, with pardonable exaggeration, was whispered through the crowds on Constitution Avenue: "Prince Andrew is leading the Queen's Navee". It was an affecting day for Her Majesty's subjects here but what mattered more was how it affected the Americans.

We had steeled ourselves to meet the attempts at a graceless and disparaging humour. In the opening to almost every story the Falkland Islands were de-scribed as "remote" or "ob-scure". Washington's own and very funny political satirist, Mr Mark Russell, a nightclub performer, was appearing at a private party on Saturday. He began by suggesting that Mr Alexander Haig had difficulty in finding where the islands were.

An Englishman shouted a warping that HMS Invincible was on its way. It was a shot across Mr Russell's bows, which he seemed deliberately to mishear.

human strength and stupen-

values, the Dundee publish-

Barnes has run the curiously

ing house of D. C. Thomson.

unchanging Dando ever

was occupied by his assistant, George Thomson a

young man of promise who

eventually ascended, by way of the European Commission,

to the chairmanship of the

Independent Broadcasting

Barnes recalls.

Pensioners

Some of the Falkland Islands'

early settlers were Chelsea pen-sioners. A number of the kelper

families now under Argentine military rule are descendants of a detachment of Chelsea pensioners sent to the Falklands by the War Office as garrison-colo-

Most of the 30 married vet-

erans chosen for the experiment were Chelsea out-pensioners.

They were given pre-fabricated wooden houses, initial supplies of

fuel and food and 10 acres of

land. At first most of them hated

given a few years later to return to England, only a few did so.

Some had become good gardeners

and others found work in the

growing ship-repairing industry. Age was on their side: most of

the pensioners were in their early

forties or younger and one, James Brown, "pensioner and carpenter", was only 24.

Corned beef corner

It may prove difficult, in the two

or three weeks it will take the naval task force to reach the

Falklands, to keep up the spirit of jingoism and bellicosity which

Today's jingoistic gesture will,

I fear, take some of the cheerful-ness out of national pride. As a

token of how seriously it regards the crisis, the English Tourist

Board has decided to suspend the

has swept the nation.

Yet when the opportunity was

pioneers

nists in 1849.

as

huzzas of a few or our countrymen, even less numerous than the garrison on the Falklands. the Englishman warned that they were an advance naval party.

It seemed clear that we were to be met only "with scoffs, and scorns and contumelious taunts". But when Mr Russell at last came to sing his ditty about the evil aggression, he had a pleasant and even exhibitanting surprise in his four stanzas. He writes his new material in response to the day's events quickly. But not even he could have altered his song on his feet as a result of the shot across his

He had set his words to a jaunty, rather Gilbert-and-Sullivan martial air, but not one word failed to punch home. In his first

No-one could compete with the news: Prince Andrew is leading the Queen's Navee'

stanza, he flayed Argentina, savagely mocking its preten-sions. Listing the components of its invasion force, he concluded with "the cast of Evita". The brave huzzas of the small British contingent were now drowned by the swelling chorus of high-spirited Yankee support.

In his second stanza, his tinkling on the piano only reinforcing his words, he fired his broadside. Having once held back the Nazis single-handed, the British were now being invaded by the Nazis' grandsons. As he let the last line fly — something like "The grandsons of Bormann, and Hitler, et al" — the Yankee laughter broke into cheers. George III could have entered the party and been entered the party and been carried shoulder-high.

So to the parting shot in the last line of the song. The British

had discovered that the invasion was an Irish plot. There could have been no more unexpected or funnier ending. But the laughter which erupted also carried wave after wave of resounding cheers. Unmistakably they were anti-Argentina and pro-British. The Englishman who had led the first assault with his small band felt like Sir Roger

Keyes at Zeebrugge. The party was being held to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the opening of a bar near the White House, used mainly by politicians and journalists and those who hang about the margins of both professions. Therefore most of the packed and in the pa audience were regulars who are politically sensitive, which means that their reactions may not be characteristic of ordinary Americans. But it no less means that they are interesting.

One could feel the two unmistakable sentiments being woven together by Mr Russell; the surge of pro-British feeling that simply warmed the cockles of one's heart; and the release of a pent-up impatience and disgust with all the shabby dictatorships of Latin America. The mastery in Mr Russell's song was precisely the linking of Britain's stand against the Nazis who fled to Argentina to all the wretched South American dictatorships.

Even if the audience was: politically uncharacteristic in its sophistication and sensitivity, it was composed mostly of people who to some degree both regis-ter and form public opinion There is a growing distaste and resentment in the United States at the way the Administration seem willing to truckle to any corrupt and violent regime if only it can present right-wing credentials to satisfy Mr Reagan.

If the British throw the Argentines out of the Falkland Islands, more Americans than perhaps Mr Reagan realizes will stand up and cheer. They cheered and even marvelled when the British in one afternoon repossessed an embassy in

Teheran. They will cheer again if the British, in a famous metaphor, now hit the Argentines for

One returns then to the serious expressions of opinions here. The newspapers begin by making allowance for what The New York Times calls "the comic-opera aspects of the event". The Washington Post on Sunday could not decide how to place these comic aspects. On its front page, it referred to the whole affair as "a cross between a nineteenth century melodrama and a Peter Sellers farce". In its editorial, it said that the crisis has "an Alec Guinness quality".

But before The Washington Post discovers that it is all much more like Margaret Rutherford in an Agatha Christie film — or the Goon Show or even Itma, if its memory stretched back so far one must read on to what these solemn organs of opinion have really said in the intensity of their first animadversions. They are clearly and firmly pro-British and anti-Argentina, and add the weight to Mr Russell's act and his audience's response.

Mrs Thatcher needs the voice of Elizabeth I to her army at Tilbury . . .

The Washington Post says: "The British do not appear to be in a mood to be pushed around; The Brits have nothing to apologize for in the Falklands". It goes on: "Argentina commit-ted aggression. By doing so it removes itself from consideration as an American partner in other hemispheric matters". What one must notice again are the complementary wishes that Argentina and not Britain should be humilated.

The New York Times says of Argentina: "Beyond that, the Administration will have to think

the US could not get its own seriously about its relations wit people out of its own embassy in a regime that, for all its verb tirades against communist provides grain and comfort the Soviet Union, but main human rights embarrassmen and military affronts to is western friends". All of the reactions are vital. The British need to realize that they do n only have sympathy here but can have support

This is a time for the Brit Government to play skilfully with candour on American of nion. Having launched a launched paval force, it must intend, and the standing be seen to be intending exercise of power it represed Her Majesty's Ministers cannot let Prince Andrew lead charge — for that is the symbol on which Americans have filed — and then order him to retriat like the Grand Old Duke of Yo

Britain can command wile popular and deeply informed support here. It cannot purile its ends only through an Am soiled and tied its bands in L America. There is a potential public support for Britain bare as it has not really existed s the Suez operation. If Americans cannot win t days, then, by jingo, they rooting for the British to win

What is needed from Thatcher is the voice of Quen Thatcher is the voice of Queen Elizabeth I to her arms at Tilbury: "I know I have the lody of a weak and feeble woman but I have the heart and stomac of a king, and of a king of Engand too, and think foul scorn that Parma or Spain, or any print of Europe should dare to invade the borders of my realm; to w rather than any dishonour hall grow by me, I myself will take

And I may also be allowed to speak for the British copy here: Your Majesty, your syal subjects here are ready, a mall contingent, but with our nated swords, last used at Markon Moor in defence of the Crewn, already taken from the wallie.

Times Newspapers Limied,

One person one vote: the only way for Labour

lished on how constituencies, votes should be cast in the voted in last year's deputy constituency section before leadership-contest. Today the report goes to Labour's NEC the electoral college. with a request for action.

organized a one person, one vote system because they believed this was the only way party members would be able to have a say in the contest. Some members argued against the postal ballot on the grounds that an important principle was at stake and that only those who were prepared to give the minimum support of coming to a meeting should be allowed to vote.

Most of the 21 constituencies organized a postal vote. Three constituencies organized a ballot on the basis of local and general election procedures. Postal balloting certainly led to a bigher turn out involving higher turn-out, involving often more than two-thirds of

the membership.
A total of 19 constituencies. carried out branch ballots, but, surprisingly, there was no single way branches undertook to consult their branches invited

people to the branch meetchildren's comic marks. The Dundy is unlikely a see again its heyday of the early 1950s when it was selber 2.2 million copies a week Thomsons claim that no capic in the world, before office, has equalled that circulation. D. C. Thomson whose flagship, the Dundee courier remains the only British daily newspaper will front page of small advertishments, are deeply secretive about circulation figures. That is known is that a quester of the Dandy readership turns over each year fain the ing, and those unable to

over each year fight the inevitable process of seing.

Barnes's successor owner Dandy chief sub-edite David would otherwise be unable to come, and this kind of offer, together with how well the branch ergenized itself, helps Dandy chief sub-edit David Torrie, will hope for a regular supply of year-olds ready to enter the world of biffs, yikes and arrghs, of Greedy Pigg and crewy. Driver, where every entence ends with an examption mark and the hight of violence is a slippe on the backside. to account for the difference in turn-out at branch meetings. One branch reported a turn-out of 77 per cent of those eligible to vote, while another recorded a turn-out as low as 20 per cent.

Nine parties held a mass. meeting of members to decide their choice for deputy leader. Most made it a big event with a number of attractions other than voting for the deputy leader.

One of the unexpected consequences of the electoral: college is that it has brought into being differenct clas of ordinary Labour Party members — those who vote in leadership elections and those who cannot. Some members are given the vote in leadership contests white others are disenfranchized. unless they are on their local party's general committee. The NEC needs to act to

ensure that all party mem-

Democracy is breaking out all: over the Eabour Party, but in some unexpected and certainly unplanned ways.

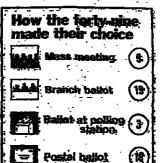
That is the main finding of the first report to be published on how constituencies.

Our survey showed there It was the famous Wembley
Conference which decided on a change in how Labour's (i) Who, is eligible? Many leaders should be elected. In parties reported difficulty in place of a franchise limited deciding who was and who to MPs, power was to be was not eligible to vote. Some shared with the trade unions decided that members had to and constituency parties.

No decision was taken on others of six months' standing, how the voting should be ing, while some parties conducted in these two sections, although it was the intention of some to limit the intention of some to limit the constitution of some to limit the intention of some to limit the intention of some to limit the was also a will make the count? There

intention of some to limit the constituency party's franchise to the small core of activists who make up each local party's governing body—the general committee. That is not how the reform has worked out in practice.

After all the ballyhoo of electing the deputy leader had died down we wrote in Labour's three weeklies asking for information on parties who extended the franchise beyond the hard core of activists. Forty-nine constituencies organized a one person, one (ii). How to count? There



(iii) What timetable?: It is important to lay down a timetable for future contests. Not only is this desirable so that campaigns don't rumble on for six or more months, but it is also crucial in getting information to local members. One constituency reported that those branches which met early in the month decided their votes before the literature from candidates

(iv) Rigging the result: In view of the lack of ground rules some constituency par-ties behaved less than openly. One party member wrote to say that there was no mention of the leadership contest at her branch meeting until she raised the

Without clear ground rules the chances are that poorer members will be excluded. We know that the poor are less likely to attend meetings than other people, and in stances, a postal vote is essential. Indeed, this was the view to which some members came after they had organized a branch ballot.

After completing our sur- : vey other parties told us that this too, had extended the franchise to ordinary mem-bers. And already a number of parties which did not do so last time have decided to ballot all their members in any future contest. Most Britons regard one person, one-vote as the basic way for making democratic decisions. This principle is now being firmly rooted in the electoral college. The MEC should issue guidelines to encourage its spread to all constituency parties and standardise the

David Cowling and Frank Field.

David Cowling is research assistant to Mr. Peter Share Frank Field is Labour MP for

London, while all the power of The man who came up with a corker

by Alan Hamilton





Comic turns: left, the first issue of The Dandy in 1937, and right, the 1982 version. Can you tell the difference?

Authority.
"Desperate Dan was the months later by an equally kind to be found in Tom and famous stablemate, Beano. roughest, toughest cowboy. He was to be the strongest Thomsons wanted a picture comic for children, aged six to 10, of equal appeal to boys children's story papers, Wizard, Hotspur, Rover, scoring points over parents, deep down, Argentines have teachers and policemen. But alway been regarded as no one ever really gets hurt.

There is never any real violence, only the cartoon objected to the rubber bricks Wizard, Hotspur, Rover, Adventure and Skipper. It was an innovation in the world of children's comics, was followed some

advertisement of its Maritime

England promotion, perhaps feel-

ing it makes too poignant a

reminder of past naval greatness.
On the other hand, pays to know your enemy and the Argentines do, from a safe distance, seem to be a rather loathsome lot. You will have read yesterday about the murderous Rivers in where the part of the part of

Rivero, in whose honour Port Stanley is now renamed. He is, I

know, not the Argentines' only folk hero with a distinctly

As a contribution to the national, but I hope temporary

was effort, PHS will continue to

welcome items of information

hurtful to Argentina, and news of any ferocity laudable or laugh-able, here at home.

Through his unjust disgrace in the war and his long years in exile, P.G. Wodehouse had one

loyal fan — the Queen of England Last night the Queen

Mother paid a private and unannounced visit to the World of

Wodehouse exhibition at the

National Theatre, an attraction

open freely to all who visit the

reader of Wodehouse, and col-

lects his books in her library in

Scotland. She has almost all his

In case Her Majesty should fancy a further treat, PHS recommends Words by Wodehouse, for which David Ryall

dons a hairless wig and does a

plum of an impersonation. It is the early evening platform per-formance in the Olivier Theatre

tremendous output.

on April 14 and 21.

The Queen Mother is an avid

A plum of P.G.

doubtful past.

Jerry where the victim always He was to be the strongest man in the world; a man who could chew iron and spit rust. I told the artist to base him on me and give him a chin like a chest of drawers", and another early character, sick against the traces. Sex, and another early character, sick against the traces. Sex, and another early character, sick against the traces. Sex, and another early character, sick against the traces. Sex, and another early character, sick against the traces. an unfortunately named religion and politics are, of youth called Invisible Dick, course, out altogether." has disappeared. But the Well, more or less. Black style has changed little: Bob, the Dandy wonder dog, simple, identifiable charac was recently kidnapped and and girls, to complement simple, identifiable charac was recently kidnapped and their "famous five" clutch of ters tripping through banana taken to Argentina, adding

skin and water pistol humour fuel to the suspicion that,

thrown at it in the pages of a teacher falling downstairs The Dandy. The editor of a and losing half his teeth, police magazine once protested that Korky the Cat was undermining respect for the forces of law and order, when he was shown saluting a policeman with a mouse emerging from a trapdoor in

Dentists can be sensitive too. Barnes said "We do not deliberately show a dentist with a boot on a patient's chest. But I think it is legitimate to show a kid in some dread of going to the dentist. I think there is still room for fun. And of course it is good fun when you have

being carted off to dentist, and coming back with his head swathed in bandages. Of course in the next edition he has all his teeth again. It's better than recovery The early Dandy was half

picture strips and half text, but it long ago abandoned the pages of words. "Television, and the consequent lack of a child's urge to read, were responsible for that," Barnes says with regret. Television, he believes, has been responsible for a major

THE TIMES DIARY

The British Standards Institution has set a new standard for British music. This news is not intended to encourage the

detractors of Peter Maxwell Davies and Harrison Birtwhistle, BS 4754 applies only to the way scores and parts are Scores to British standard will

henceforward be clear enough for double bass players to read without straining forward; printed on paper thick enough for the next page of nores not to show through; and in ink waterproof enough for Handel's Water Music.

The standard gives guidance on how note spacing, slurs, ties and crescendos should be represented, and takes a particularly firm line, I hear, on silences.

Chain of events

A complete glossary of health and hygiene — from Abatement notice to Zwitterion (an iron carrying both positive and negative charges, present in some detergents) - proves a rich midden of scatological infor-mation. Prepared by Mr Colin Lucas and published by Rentokil at £15, Hugiene in Buildings traces the history of the lavatory from the Knossos latrines, built for King Minos 3,600 years ago.

Choice pickings include the Human Lavatory — a medieval public servant who walked the streets in an immense cape which he could use to cover his customers and the pail he was carrying; and the dreadful fate of Richard the Raker, a gongfermor employed to clean latrines and cesspits who in 1326 fell through the rotten planks in his own privy and "drowned monstrously in his

own excrement".

In a book full of villainous material, the few heroes include

Thomas Crapper, who did the drains at Sandringham and possibly gave the language a new word; Thomas Twyford, who developed the Unitas and the ornate Deluge; and Sir John Harington who required only whole a purpose of required only "halfe a tunne of water to keep all sweete and savourie" and who wrote the Metamorphosis of Ajax devoted to his invention, the WC. For the squeamish there is also a good gathering of euphemisms, such as dinkum dunnie, picca-ninny kiaha, Les Vaters, cuzzes, cozzy, jakes and Jericho, all of which mean much the same in

one part of the world or another. Haughtier cuisine

Culinary quaintness and rumbledethumps are out in Scotland this year, according to Colonel Pat Paterson who rups Taste of Scotland. Two new dishes created this year for inclusion in the brochure are Beef Nan Eilan — noisette of lamb and fillet of beef with contrasting cream and

pickled walnut sauces

Leaking boards

Very wet, Wales, and Dafyddi Wigley, Plaid Cymru president and MP for Caernarion, may have discovered the reason. He complains that while British water boards generally waster about a quarter of the water mostly through leaks, the Weish Water Authority loses an average of a third, and in some places a

The Government yesterday to claimed all maps of the Falkings from Edward Stanford, the mansellers in Long Acre, to help it handle the crisis. An official from the Directorate of Overseas Surveys called at the shop and hurried away with about 80 maps.

The memoir face

Joseph Gornley's autobiography, Buttered Charub, was appropriately written with the most modern aids to productivity. Like every good unionist Gornley had a mate on the job — ghost writes, Jeremy Hornsby, who previously worked with the disc jockey Peter Murray to produce One Day 1'll Forget My Trousers, a volume most memorable for the cover. photograph of its subject is underpasss and suspenders.

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and processor, and his discs fuelled

Falling star Residents of New Jersey take a

dim view of the twilight of the stars. For its centenary the Actors Fund of America put on a television show and raised \$2m for the elderly residents of its retirement home, but now plans for a nursing home next to the residence have been squashed.
Actors Fund said it could fill its 50 bed nursing home at a fee of about \$100 a day, only about a third of what elderly actors have to pay locally at present if they

The neighbours, who have been happy to have stars of the past in their area, for the last 20 years, objected in a twinkle. Mayor: Sandra Greenberg said: "Mhen I furst heard of their plan for residence I applauded it but elderly and sinkly stars from around the country would certainly impact adversely on this high-class neighbourhood."

Missing minutes

Four Oscars and lavish praise for Chariots of Fire have been insufficient to restore 40 missing minutes to the film. It was out should be told from a length of more than two hours for its cinema release at Is the insurance business develop the insistance of Twentieth Century Fox, which shared the som budget for the film with the offshoot of an Egyptian shipping

The producer, David Puttuan

having lost his battles with Fox's nervous attitude, was delighted to hear, when the BBC started negotiating the purchase of television rights, that it would be interested in an extended version, using discarded footage.

Despite Putman's whole-hearted support for the others, for abrumbly versed it, saying

fox abrupily vetoed it, saying that it would establish an unwelcome precedent.

There is still cause to be grateful to Fox. The BBC was

among those in Britain Puttnam approached in vain, in his search for backing for Chanots, and another American studio rejected the project as "a real downer with no viability at alk in the American marketplace because of style and tone as well as subject

The eatable?

The Pet Food Manufacturers Association aunounces that it will oppose the staining of offse from slaughterhouses, which it says, would "make finished per food products unacceptable to the pet owner". PHS would hope so too. but, horrors, the association goes on to say it has told the Government about "the important implications such standard would have on the human food chain." What is going on in this country? Are people earing the pet foods on the pets? I think me

ing a conscience? A reader send me a circular which says "These are the main features of Crusader's Revolutionary new Guile Edged Flan." DIIS

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WHEN THE SMOKE CLEARS

While British ships steam south through the Atlantic and the Argentines continue their efforts to fortify the islands there will be a great deal of diplomatic activity. Among other things, Britain and Argentina will be trying to raily support for their been followed in recent years, case. But it will also be a by both Conservative and good time to consider not Labour governments. It led to only what should be done a situation in which the when the task force reaches the Falklands but also what Britain hopes to achieve thereafter.

The immediate objective is quite clear. It is to reverse the fait accompli imposed on the islands last Friday, and in the process: to show General Galtieri that such naked acts of aggression are wholly unacceptable. That is of the greatest importance. There are small countries and territories in many parts of the world, not least in Latin America itself which would be at risk if it was felt that the generals in Buenos Aires had got away with this invasion. They chose to send troops against a small and defenceless people, the citizens of a country with which they had apparently friendly relations and with which they were holding negotiations for a peaceful settlement.

But once an Argentine withdrawal has been achieved, miles away, regardless of the defence of the islands against lies with them.

cost? Or do we take the view that in the long run they are too far away and too unimportant, and that they should therefore be eased into some sort of congenial relationship with Argentina? The second course is the one which has a situation in which the islands were very much dependent on the good will of Argentina, even before last Friday's attack. Apart from a ship which sailed from Til-bury four times a year, the only regular communications with the outside world were the weekly flights to and from Comodoro Rivadavia provided

by the Argentine Air Force, That was not a bad policy in itself. Admittedly it had the disadvantage of giving General Galtieri and his colleagues the impression that the British government was anxious to be rid of the Falklands, which may have encouraged them to miscalculate. But the miscalculation was not an inevitable result of the policy. If the British government had shown at an earlier stage that it was determined to defend the islands there could still have been progress

Much will now depend on either through diplomacy or by force, that still leaves the question of the future of the Falklands. Do we want to have been humiliated they maintain them indefinitely as will remain uncooperative for a British possession, compar-some time. Britain will then able to an Isle of Man 8,000 have to maintain an active

a possible new attempt at invasion, and also replace the services which were provided by Argentina before the invasion. It can be done. It would have to be done. But it would be an expensive commitment to maintain over a long period.

At some point, therefore, it will be necessary to try to restore links between the islands and Argentina. This will not be easy, especially if there has been fighting. Obviously diplomatic relations would have to be restored first. But it would not be the first time in history that a showdown, whether diplo-matic or military, had clarified a relationship and in the period of reconstruction provided a more realistic basis for negotiation. At all times, however, we would have to face up to the possibility that such attempts would be unsuccessful. Our future policy for the Falklands can never again be allowed to depend on an Argentine veto.

It is not too early to look ahead in this way, even though the immediate future is murky. Britain did not seek or provoke a conflict with Argentina and has no wish for a long period of hostility. It must assert its rights and the principles of international law without compromise but at the same time it should make clear its desire to return as soon as possible to normal relations with Argentina. This can be achieved only if the Argentines have the same aim. The burden of proof now

modest in its scope and its

WHO'S AFRAID OF A BIG BAD BALLOT?

Of all the days of the year to, advocated by a number of select to beat the drum for a national campaign which has been slow to catch fire, itself, even if not of the Monday must have been existing laws on political among the most unlucky. With the fleet sailing off to glory and ministers tumbling, the country had little attention to spare for the metaphorical militancy on display calculations and actions at the TUC's special conferwhere they like it or not, ence on the Employment Bill. and even if employers prove "There will be risks, there may be casualties, we may get to go to court on the strength knocks, but we will give as of its provisions. good as we get", declared Mr Murray with native caution made Mr Murray sound palsetting his sights before battle rather lower than Mrs Thatcher was doing elsewhere.

The programme of action against the Bill, agreed with acclaim by all but a few of the unions represented, is also anything but bloodthirsty. The TUC General Council drafted it with concern not to encourage the movement's aircraft carriers to steer outside the territorial waters of legality. This showed good sense, but can have done little to persuade ordinary trade unionists with more urgent anxieties about the security of their jobs that the proposed reforms seriously amount to 'a manifesto for a union-free society", as Mr Murray put it. He rejected a policy of using industrial action to bring a government down undemocra-tically. Other speakers, like Mr Arthur Scargill and Mr loe Wade disregarded his lead and spoke uninhibitedly about the possibility of breaking the law in the struggle against the Bill. Major campaigns of industrial action against it, as

Postal watchdog

From the Chairman of the Post Office Users' National Council

Sir, In his observations on the

Government's consultative document on consumers' interest and the nationalised industries (article,

March 15), Mr Alex Henney, Chairman of the London Elec-tricity Consultative Council,

bemoans the absence of any

proposals to give arbitration powers on the nationalised indus-

try consumer councils.
It is arguable whether the duty

of arbitration is one which is proper to a consumer council, I think it is not. The council acts

principally as an advocate of the customer's case. It could not

easily act as arbiter as well. Customers would be entitled to

question the extent of the

interests.

commitment to representing their

The issue does not however

arise for users of Post Office and

British Telecom services. Under

the Codes of Practice for Postal

and Telecommunications Services

published in 1979, customers may

pursue unresolved claims for

redress through a scheme of

arbitration operated indepen-dently by the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Whilst the arbi-

trator's recommendations were

not legally binding, both indus-tries declared that they would normally be honour bound to

Country them.

Under the British Telecommunications Act 1981, the Post Office's legal liability has been

extended to cover most things

lost or damaged in the inland

lost or damaged in the inland post. We have recently successfully concluded negotiations with the Post Office and the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators which provide for a scheme of legally binding arbitration to match the industry's new legal liabilities.

delegates, would be illegal within the terms of the Bill existing laws on political strikes and secondary action. The Bill is deftly drafted to minimise the need for active union co-operation: it will exist and influence their reluctant, as they often may,

MILLAA 200110 lid, and the voices which urged the dangers of a long and costly campaign embarked on without strong rank and file support were few and faint. One of the most revealing phrases of the day came when Mr Murray described the Bill as an attempt to drive a wedge between unions and their members. Some of its provisions, in particular those designed to encourage unions to test by ballot whether existing closed shops still command support among members, can indeed claim to be so. But a rift has to exir: before a wedge can be driven into it, and the un-popularity of the closed shop, as well as of other equally rough and ready means of imposing union discipline is widespread inside the movement as well as out. It is a standing reproach to the trade unions that the abandonment of such practices should need to wait for a nudge from legislation.

This offers customers seeking

redress a cheap and simple way

legal liabilities under the BT Act.

We consider these arbitration facilities are an important feature

of the machinery for dealing with

customers' complaints and are pleased to have had some part in

JOHN MORGAN, Chairman.

Post Office Users' National

From Professor C. D. Pigott

Sir, Your correspondent Dr A. S. Thomas (March 17) in his

strongly worded criticism of the

term ecosystem shows that he

does not understand its meaning.

Perhaps he has forgotten, or

perhaps never read, the article

written by Sir Arthur Tansley in

1935 in which the word was introduced and defined with

describe a particular level of organization of natural systems

in which vegetation, animals and

the physical environment are linked together by the transfer of

energy and materials. Tansley recognized the difficulty of

defining the boundaries of eco-

systems for, in a sense, the world

is an ecosystem, but he proposed

that the term was more usefully applied to those much smaller systems in which net transfer of

material across the boundaries is

Tansley proposed the word to

Waterloo Bridge House, Waterloo Road, SE1

establishing them.

Yours faithfully,

Ecosystems

admirable clarity.

likely effects. While this hampers the campaign to present it as a threat to trade unionism as such, it also means that many reforms which would still further improve accountability have been omitted. Only last week, Mr Norman Tebbit said that his mind was not fully closed to the possibility of adding a clause to encourage the use of strike ballots in place of the factory-gate votes which The prevailing atmosphere Balloting for union elections is a reform whose effects might be even more profound. Even where it does occur, balloting today is too often inadequately supervised. In the short term, legislating on these matters might tend to add them to the category of things that trade unionists refuse to see any good in because Mr Tebbit favours them. It might also increase the scope for calculated defiance and the creation of martyrs; but nothing would do more to make the movement more truly representative. The longer term, advantages would thus be manifest. If the trade union leadership wants to claim that it truly represents its members, it would be more convincing if it did not object to measures which would provide evidence for that claim. Of course they fear the evidence would undermine their claim, and thus their leadership. Let us have the evidence by introhould need to wait for a ducing much more provision for balloting, both about

The truth is that the Bill is strikes, and about leadership.

For example, in an unexploited woodland the amount of carbon dioxide fixed by green plants may, over a period of a year, be balanced by the amount released by respiration of all the organisms in the woodland, so that net of resolving disputes avoiding the need to make a personal appearance at a court. We are about to start discussions with British Telecom aimed at similar arrangements in respect of their level labelities under the Driver isms in the woodland, so that net transfer in and out would then be zero but, in fact, diffusive mixing of this gas in the atmosphere means that most ecosystems share a common reservoir.

Uptake of phosphate by the plants of the woodland may be almost entirely from the supply provided by decay, so that in this case the system may be virtually self-contained. Animals may indeed move in and out of the woodland yet their population averaged over a number of years may remain more or less constant. Ecosystems are not entirely self-contained, or "closed", and never could be because all depend on an input of solar energy and the eventual dissipation of this energy as hear.

By repeatedly using the word "may" I am, in fact, drawing attention to the value of recognizing ecosystems. By analysis of their structure and by measure-ment of the amounts of substances in their parts and of the rates of transfer the extent to which the system is in balance can be discovered. This provides essen-tial information for the sensible exploitation of ecosystems, allowing their structure to be stabiized and their productivity maintained or even increased. An ecosystem is still an ecosystem even when it is not in equilibrium.

yours faithfully. DONALD PIGOTT. Department of Biological The University,

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Glue-sniffing and solvent abuse

From Mr N. C. MacDonald

Sir, Mr Allan Roberts, MP (report, April 1) is following a path trodden by well meaning politicians, in this country and overseas, in believing that the use of aversive additives in solvent-based products will eliminate or control solvent abuse.

To be acceptable any additive must meet three criteria. It should not enhance in any way the health risk of the preparation to which it is added. It should not interfere with the acceptability of a preparation by those who will use the preparation for its intended purpose. Finally, any additive should not detract from service performance of the preparation, and in this case we mean the adhesive strength.

My company has investigated the possible use of aversive additives, and volatile organic chemicals with characteristic nauseating odours are most commonly thought of in this connection; allyl isothiocyanate, which occurs naturally as a component of oil of mustard, bas been used in adhesives in certain

parts of the United States.

All evidence indicates that substances of this type are either ineffective at safe levels of use or have only a transient aversive effect at higher or more danger-ous concentrations, as well as interfering with the normal use and performance of the adhesive to which they are added. In West Germany another type of so-called aversive agent was added to a solvent-based product as a panic reaction to an outbreak of

authoritative sources in this country and others.

At the same time we in the industry shall continue our search to develop alternative systems which are intrinsically offer from abuse and I would safer from abuse and I would stress that this positive approach to the problem has been receiving attention in my company for several years. I should be gravely disturbed were we to tackle the symptoms of the malaise in a less than rational way, whilst ignor-ing the disease itself. Yours sincerely,

N. C. MACDONALD, Director (Technical), Evode Limited, Common Road, Stafford. April 2.

Freedom of the media m Mr Iacoh Ecclestone

Sir, You will, I hope, allow me to reply to the letter (April 3) from Mr Farmer, General Secretary of the Institute of Journalists, concerning my refusal to admit your correspondent to cover our recent annual conference.

As a matter of policy my union asks other trade unions to admit only NUJ members to cover their meetings. We do so because the NUJ is a trade union in all senses of the word; the IOJ is not affiliated to either the TUC or the International Federation of Journalists and can make no such claim. It would, therefore, be absurdly inconsistent if we were to admit a member of the IOJ to report on our annual delegate

meeting.

For Mr Farmer to assert that the leadership of the NUJ would use the closed shop in journalism "to silence opposition in the media to views endorsed by the silence of the silence of the silence opposition in the media to views endorsed by the silence of the silence union" is ludicrous. As he knows union" is luticrous. As he knows perfectly well, my union's own journal is so independent of the NUJ leadership that it frequently makes life uncomfortable and embarrassing for us by exercising the freedom that such independence guarantees — an independence that recent events have shown is not emjoyed by have shown is not enjoyed by many editors in Fleet Street.

That is only our domestic situation. The NUJ operates many closed shops already, including several in national newspapers, and in none of them could Mr Farmer find evidence to substantiate his all egations.

Yours, etc., JACOB ECCLESTONE, Deputy General Secretary, National Union of Journalists, Acorn House, 314-320 Gray's Inn Road, WC1. April 5.

One nation

St James's, SW1.

From Dr C. Goodson-Wickes Sir, What better way is there to forge the One Nation that you seek (leading article, March 30), than to reintroduce a form of

national service?
Cooperation between white and black citizens in such a framework would surely go far to promote new and healthier atti-tudes at an impressionable age. Yours faithfully, C. GOODSON-WICKES, 95A Jermyn Street,

Ireland had its own devolved

Government failings in Falklands crisis

From General Sir Robert Ford (retd) available to ministers at the right. Sir, Looked at from the outside, but with some knowledge and experience of the workings of the machinery of government over a long period, it is difficult to come to any other conclusion than that the present tragedy in the Falkland Islands is largely the result of gross crisis mismanage-

The well-tried and established Defence and Overseas Policy Committee has been modified by successive Administrations since the war to meet changing conditions. Chaired by the Prime Minister and comprising the Foreign Secretary, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Secretary of State for Defence, the Home Secretary, and with all the Chiefs of Staff in attendance, this committee used to meet most governments on a monthly basis with prepared papers, receiving the world intelligence picture as seen by the Joint Intelligence Committee and with ministers together baving the opportunity to listen to the professional assessments and advice of the Chiefs of Staff before they made their political

decisions.

As a staff officer in the Military Operations Branch of the then War Office who was seconded to the Cabinet Secretariat for the Suez operation I saw at first hand the disasters which followed when this element of the machinery of government was not strictly adhered to.

called aversive agent was added to a solvent-based product as a panic reaction to an outbreak of solvent abuse in West Berlin. The result was an increase in the incidence of toxicity amongst sniffers.

To suggest, as Mr Roberts does, that there is a paucity of information on the subject is to misrepresent the facts. My company's research has revealed around 300 references from many authoritative sources in this considered professional advice of the Chiefs of Staff, in the knowledge of the latest intelligence assessments, has not been country and others. Since that day I have served

seemed to me that the very status of the Chiefs of Staff has been steadily and deliberately reduced. This was sometimes, I fear, for

political and economic reasons and one also received the impression that certain senior civil servants and Foreign Office officials wished this to be so. A officials wished this to be so. A few months ago, when I questioned a senior civil servant on this matter, he defended the changes which had taken place on the grounds that capabilities and commitments were almost entirely devoted to Nato and since our colonial commitments and others had virtually disapand others had virtually disap-peared there was no requirement now for the Prime Minister and senior ministers of the DOPC to have regular personal advice from the Chiefs of Staff.

l have a high regard for my late senior Civil Service colleagues, but they are not qualified to proffer military advice. Nor is any Secretary of State for Defence qualified to put forward military judgment to the Cabinet military judgment to the Cabinet subcommittee without the attendance of the professional heads of the Armed Services. Of course, civil servants can properly inform ministers of the financial and budgetary implications and options but the machinery of government should always allow for the Chiefs of Staff considered views to be available to this vital committee on a regular basis. on a regular basis.

I sincerely hope that a lesson has been learnt and that in future our foreign and defence policy will be regularly discussed in the proper forum, with each member having an opportunity to make his input before decisions are made.

Yours faithfully, ROBERT FORD, Cavalry and Guards Club, 127 Piccadilly, W1.

Labour and deterrence

From Mr J. R. V. Coutts Sir, Michael Foot stated quite clearly that we are right to defend the Falkland Island citizens against the aggression of the Argentinians. Yet the whole thrust of the Government's argument for the deployment of the Trident missile system is that

we should be in a position to deter a would-be aggressor.

It does not require much imagination to visualise a situation in which England, deprived of any form of nuclear deterrent, could be blackmailed and occu-pied by a foreign Power. This situation could only be hastened if Michael Foot's "unilateral disarmament" policies were car-

It would seem to be the height of hypocrisy for him and other members of the Labour Party to attack this Government's lack of readiness in terms of dealing with the Falkland Island situation, and yet propagate policies which would virtually mean 50 million British people would be left in a defenceless situation. Yours faithfully,

I. R. V. COUTTS. loatfield House, Vicarage Lane, Waresley, Sandy, Bedfordshire. April 5.

from Mr P. J. Freeman Sir. The situation arising from the occupation by Argentinian forces of the Falkland Islands is rich in irony from the naval standpoint. In the first place, both HM ships Endurance and Invincible, which are playing central, if very different, roles in the dispute, are on the disposal list. Secondly, Argentina, of all countries, was hoping to purchase HMS Intrepid, one of the amphibious assault ships understood to be involved, until a recent last-minute decision by the Secretary of State for Defence to retain her in service. Finally, of the minute decision with the service of the service o the major units of the Argenti-nian navy, its aircraft carrier is the former HMS Venerable and its two newest and largest

its two newest and largest destroyers are sister ships of the type 42 vessels in service with the Royal Navy.

Irony notwithstanding, there is a very serious lesson to be learnt for British naval policy from this hitherto unhappy episode. This is that while the Royal Navy may still retain the capability to dispatch substantial forces to the Falkland Islands, and to maintain them at sea, this is only because the Secretary of State's cuts in the Royal Navy have not yet taken full effect.

The capability, under present

The capability, under present plans, will be substantially eroded over the coming years. The Secretary of State's statement in the historic debate in the House of Commons on April 3, that we will continue to maintain a "substantial out-of-area capability" rings very hollow when it is recalled that this capability even now involves the use of our only two active aircraft carriers and the detachment from Nato commitments of a very large proportion of the fleet. Surely this assault by Argen-

tina is the clearest possible warning to the Government that Regents Park, NWL

its current naval policy is fraught with danger. If Mr Nott fails to heed this warning then he should be replaced by a minister who will appreciate the maritime tradition and capabilities of this country and who will reverse the lamentable run-down of the Royal Navy.

Yours faithfully, P. J. FREEMAN, 12 Tenison Avenue, Cambridge. April 4.

From Mr Giles Chichester Sir, Fifteen years ago my late father sailed around Cape Horn safe in the knowledge that the Falkland Islands would be a British haven should the need

We must not fail our people of the Falklands now their peaceful land has been rudely invaded. No effort should be spared diplomati-cally, economically or militarily to see justice done.

As a nation we cannot afford to duck this challenge, for who knows who next will regard us as a soft touch if we do? Yours faithfully, GILES CHICHESTER. Francis Chichester Ltd. 9 St James's Place, SW1.

April 5.

From Mrs Laura Laycock Sir, "Somehow, some time, the Argentino forces must be induced or forced to leave the Falklands. We have the full authority of a Security Council resolution to support that proposition" (The

For Argentine, read Turkish; for the Falklands, read Cyprus. What price diplomacy, what price guarantees, and what price the resolve of the international community, eight years after? Yours faithfully,

L. LAYCOCK, 13A Richmond Mansions, 250 Old Brompton Road, SW5.

From Mrs Rosemary Goring Sir, Now that the Falkland islanders are, for the time being at least, under Argentine rule they will presumably have to start learning the Argentine national anthem. This is a stirring composition, with a revolutionary flavour not unlike that of the Marseillaise, and the first four lines run more or less as follows:
O mortals, hear the sacred cry,

Liberty, liberty, liberty!
Hear the sound of breaking chains, And see, enthroned, Equality.
One imagines that the islanders
will render these lines with more than ordinary fervour.

Yours. ROSEMARY GORING. Little Iwood, Rushlake Green, Heathfield, Sussex. April 3.

From Sir Maxwell Joseph Sir, The Government has succeeded in turning a Gilbert and Sullivan operetta into Wagnerian tragedy. Yours faithfully, MAX JOSEPH, 1 York Gate,

Plans for church unity move From Lord Fletcher

Sir, My friend the Bishop of Norwich (April 3) does less than justice to the final report of the Anglican-Roman Catholic Commission. His purported quotation from page 84 of the report is misleading as it stands. The words in brackets do not appear in the report. The Bishop informs in the report. The Bishop informs me that they were intended to be printed as an interpolation of hi

It would be unfortunate if progress towards reunion were felt to depend on the precise significance to be given in a united Christendom to the primacy of the Bishop of Rome. Any form of organic unity may be a macy of the Bishop of Rome. Any form of organic unity may be a distant project, but the report registers the impressive progress made on a wide range of issues hitherto considered controversial. It emphasizes, on page 5, the bonds that unite our two

churches: We confess the same faith in the one true God; we have received the same spirit; we have been baptized with the same baptism; and we preach the same Christ. Experience testifies to the

increasing tolerance and underincreasing tolerance and understanding among the laity in both churches, coupled with a real desire for reconciliation. In recent years an increasing number of Anglicans visiting the Continent attend a Catholic Mass as communicants and are not discouraged from doing so. Even in England Anglicans are welcomed as communicants at a nuprial Mass or a requiem Mass. Conversely, though less frequently, Catholics from Europe attend Anglican cathedrals and churches as communicants. The

churches as communicants. The decision for any individual is a matter of conscience. This practice develops a recognition of how much our two churches have

in common.

One hopes that, with the forthcoming papal visit, the momentum already established will not be lost. An initiative for a tangible step forward might well be a study of the case for a mutual reconciliation of ministries.

Yours faithfully, FLETCHER, House of Lords. April 5.

Channel link

From the Director General, General Council of British Shipping Sir, If the Government stick to their announced policy and insist that the UK half of any Channel tunnel or bridge is financed by private enterprise the shipping industry can have no possible objection. We do not fear commercial competition. What we do fear is a tunnel or bridge started on a "private enterprise" basis; then when the project gets scale escalate, as by all precedent they will, the Government of the day, whatever that may be, feeling impelled to subsidise the project or support a British Rail guarantee of throughput (which comes to the same thing as subsidy), particularly if the French are determined to press

When the ferries and hovercraft can carry all increases in traffic, passengers and freight foreseeable up to 1990 and, with comparatively modest injections of capital (as compared with the vast sums even now envisaged for a fixed link) up to 2010, it seems madness to contemplate shelling out on an unnecessary and chancy venture when this coun-

try needs so many oher things.
The ferries have never be completely stopped on any day since World War II, whereas a tunnel or a bridge could be blocked by weather or engineering mishap or industrial action or sabotage. Better not start. Re-member Concorde. Yours faithfully. PATRICK SHOVELTON.

eneral Council of British Shipping, 30-32 St Mary Axe, EC3. April 2.

Earlier bird

From the Reverend Canon E. F. Hudson

Sir, Reviewing Steven Runci-man's Sicilian Vespers in today's Times (April 1) Philip Howard writes: "Cambridge today publish writes: "Cambridge today publish
the first paperback edition of
Steven Runciman's famous
book". But a paperback copy has
been in my study for more than
20 years. Published as a Pelican
by Penguin Books in 1960, it then
cost 6s! It is worth its present price, £8.95. I can't think that Mr Howard of all people, has been influenced by today's date,

I am, Sir, your obedient servant, E. F. HUDSON, The Rectory,

April 1.

A goodly usage

From Mr Bernard Cox Sir, Mrs Tullo (April 3) complains of the newsprint coming off on her hands. For many years I used old copies of *The Times* for population without fully satisfypressing my trousers (no damping was required). However, I had to stop this habit of a lifetime when my wife showed that the ink was transferring from paper to iron and then on to my white

> erly matured copies for this purpose. Any evidence on the proper length of maturity would be welcome.

shirts. Perhaps one has to use prop-

> Yours faithfully, BERNARD COX, 89 Kingsfield Avenue, North Harrow, Middlesex. April 3.

Ulster assembly plan

From Mr Tom Arnold, MP for Hazel Grove (Conservative) Sir, The Prime Minister has made it clear on a number of occasions that Northern Ireland will remain a part of the United Kingdom for as long as that is the wish of the majority of the people of North-ern Ireland. The guarantee is firm and should not be in doubt. There is no immediate contra-

diction, therefore, between the Union and the preferred wish of the main Northern Ireland political parties to move in direction of devolution. The fact is that Northern

parliament for fifty years and all the main local parties wish to see devolved government restored, albeit for different reasons and despite their disagreement about the form it should take. There are well established administrative structures to support it.

In sum, geography and history make Northern Ireland very different from any other part of the United Kingdom, with its own distinct political needs and two communities with different aspirations and perceptions of national identity.

Indeed, integration would offend one section of the local April 1.

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ing the other; it would for that reason be more likely to inflame the security situation rather than to diminish tension. Integration would not reassure the majority population since most unionists see devolution as the best safeguard for their own particular lifestyle and culture; and it would set back constructive relationships with the Republic of Ireland and important sections of United States opinion.

Yours faithfully, TOM ARNOLD, House of Commons.



COURT AND SOCIAL

Performance of Annie at the

Hippodrome Theatre, Birming-ham, to mark the end of the Church of England Children's

Princess Anne, Chancellor of London University, will visit the King's Road Campus of Chelsea College on April 19.

The Prince of Wales will attend a lecture by Professor M. W. Thring "Engineering for Humanity" at The Institution of Mechanical Engineers, 1. Birdcage Walk, SWI qu April 29.

The Duke of Kent, as Colonel-in-Chief, will present new colours to the 1st Battation The Devomine

Under-Secretary of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, represented HM Injuly-matic Service at the memorial service held for Lord Butler of Saffron Walden; CH, on Monday.

The Royal Caledonian Ball will be held at Grosvenor House, Park Lane, London, W1, on Monday, 26 April, Tickers, priced at £18.00

each (including light refresh-ments served at midnight), are now on sale. Enquiries should be

made to the ball secretary (Telephone No: 01-222, 2348 or 025-675543.

Tory Reform Group

The following have been elected

Chairman: Mr Stephen Moon;

Mr Raymond Buckton delivered a

lecture. "Transport — the forgotten social service", to the

Group:

the Tory Reform

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CIRCULAR

April & The Frince of Wales this morning visited the Royal Mint at Lamtrisant, Mid-Glamorgan.

This afternoon His Royal Lamb Highness opened the Glamorgan Rature Centre at Tomdu.

The Frince of Wales, attended to Church of England Children's Control of England Children's Society Centenary Year.

This afternoon His Royal Highness revelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Highness travelled in an aircraft of The Hon Mrs Munro was in travelled in an aircraft of The Uneen's Flight.

The Hon Mrs Munro was in attendance.

Ousen's Flight. Dixon upon his appointment as Representative Colonel Comman dant of the Regiment.

April 6: Mrs Patrick Campbell-(Sec-Preston has succeeded the Hou and Mrs Join Mulholland as Lady indant of the Regiment.

The Lord Carrington (Serretary of State for Foreign and treating of State for Foreign and the Right Hon Humphrey Atkins, MP (Lord Privy Seal) had audiences of The Queen that afternoon and took leave upon delivering up their respective Seals of Office and relinquishing their appointments.

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their appointments.
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Ettrick. Cernikova, His Excellency the. High Commissioner for Australia and Lady Garland, Sir George and Lady Burton, Sir Kenneth and Lady Confield, Mr Alex Gordon, Mr and Mrs Yehudi Menuhin and the Reverend Dr John and Mrs Newton have arrived at Windsor Castle. April & The Duke of Gloucester, President, The National Association of Boys' Clubs, visited Clubs in Tameside, Manchester this morning. In the afternoon His Royal Highness as Grand Prior, opened the new headquarters of The Order of St John for the County of Greater Manchester, in Fallowfield.

Lieutegant-Colonel Simon

The Duke of Edinburgh, Colonel-in-Chief of The Queen's Own Highlanders, this manning at Windsor Castle received Lieutenant-Colonel J. J. G. Mackenzie upon his relinquishing command of the 1st Battalion and Lieutenant-Colonel N. J. Ridley upon his assuming com-

Ridley upon his assuming command.

The Hon Mary Morrison has succeeded Lady Abel Smith as Lady in Waiting to The Queen.

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Simon A memorial service for Sir Rudolph Peters will be held at Gonville and Caius. College, present this evening at a Gala Cambridge, at 2 pm on April 24.

Forthcoming

Mr. M. R. Carr and Miss S. N. Hazell

Captain P. A. Simpson, RAOC,

The engagement is announ

andey Green, Surrey.

Mr M. J. Strickland and Miss S. A. Chapt

Church news

Appointments.

marriages

and Miss H. E. Collins

The engagement is announced between Iain, son of Mr. R. F. Turner, of The Pightles, Edge-field, Melton Constable, Norfolk, and of the late Mrs Edge Turner, and Caroline, edge Turner, and Caroline, edge daughter, only daughter of Mr and Mrs John Salter, of North Sutton House, Basingstoke, Hampshire.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE

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of Austin and Sunderland:

KENSINGTON PALACE

April & The Duke of Gloucester,

Pickersgill,

April 6: The Prince of Wales this

Marriages The engagement is announced between Martyn, son of Mr and

Mrs D. R. Carr, of Fakenham, Norfolk, and Sharon, daughter of Mrs J. M. Hazeli, of Bedford. Mr R. H. Macrae and Miss H. L. Turner

The marriage took place on Saturday, April 3, in Monrovia, Liberia, between Mr Roderick Harris Macrae and Miss Harriet and Muss C. L. Husson
The sengagement is announced between Timothy Simon Maples, younger son of the Rev John and Mrs Matthews, of The Vicarage, Great Dunnow, Essex, and Cathryn Leveday, daughter of Mr and Mrs Philip Budson, of Dolphins, Kingston Gorse, Sussex.

Mr J. N. Miller and Miss S. V. Sharp

3 at Holy Trinity Church, Chelses, between Mr John Nicholas Miller, elder son of The engagement is announced between Paul, younger son, of Mr and Mrs R. W. Simpson, of Beckenham, Kent, and Consuelo, Tym, Bristol, and Mrss Susan Victoria Sharp, elder daughter of daughter of Mr and Mrs. A. D. Wanghan, of Northcote Farm, Shamley Green, Surrey.

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Mrs Brenda Burfield, of Strat-ford-on-Avon, and Stephanie. The marriage took place on April younger danghter of Mr and Mrs. 3 in the chapel of Queen's Fract Chapt of Walton-on-College, Oxford, between Mr Thames.

Mr T. J. Turnhull and Miss E. C. Flint.

The engagement is announced between Timothy John, only son of Mr and Mrs J. E. Turnhull, of Woodford Green, Essex, and Elizabeth Clare, younger daugh.

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Elizabeth Clare, younger daugh. A reception was held at the ter of Mr and Mrs M. F. Flint, of Bear Hotel, Woodstock, Oxford-Wareham, Dorset.

Chartered Institute of Transport at the Royal Commonwealth Society on Monday evening. Mr. J. G. Davis, president, presided.

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The Roy S. Lesch, Team Rector of Bartislapie. St. Peter. Si Mary Mandalene, Holy Trinity, Goodleigh and Landkey Team Ministry, diocess of Exeter, to be Vicar of Palanton with Si Boniface and Mandrow, same chorese.

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Thornaby-on-Teest, diocese of York, tobe Vicar of St Thomas.

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Sir Peter Moon to be British High Commissioner to Singapore in succession to Mr J D Hennings, who will be retiring from the Diplomatic Service.

Mr Ceorge Stansfield to be Britisk High Commissioner to Salamon Islands in succession to Mr G J A Slater, who will be retiring from the Diplomatic

Moreover . . . Miles Kington

(A further dispatch from on board Photocopier III, our entry in last year's Observer is Transatlantic Race.

One of the last things you expect to see in the southern Atlantic is a British submarrelantic is a British submarne, so I and my crew, the submarne, so I and my crew, the submarned with the submarned aback when a huge submarning. We knew it was been told about our decision to give America a miss and go round the world. There are very few records left to break, and one of the Union ack painted on the comming ower and "Come On Your and the world during a transatlantic race.

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Everything is going beautifully. The weather is so good bye." ine, so I and my crew, "Evoe" Knox-Johnston, were taken aback when a huge sub emerged in front of us this morning. We knew it was British because of the Union Jack painted on the coming. tower and "Come On Your Spurs!" scrawled on the side. "I wonder if you could tell
us the way to the Falkland
Isles?" said the very polite
officer who eventually ap-

neared.

The officer looked very curiously at Evoe. I thought curriously at Evoe. I thought it would take too long to explain that he has been the Fakklands?" I said, when learning German from the the man had fixed the radio. "And he has been the Fakklands?" I said, when the man had fixed the radio for us. He put his lips, and looked round to his lips, and looked round to limitate were more important matters.

"Very hush hish", he said. People go rather odd when they sign the Official Secrets pop over and have a look at our radio?" I said.

"My God, look at that!" he

"Delighted, old boy".

The trouble with the radio is that ever since we left his salt.

Ireland four or five months ago it has been receiving but not transmitting, which explains why Times readers from me, nor have been told about our goodbye."

said suddenly. He had just noticed the Spurs graffition in this salt.

"A bit bad form", I said.

"It certainly is", he said furiously. "The a QPR supplies why Times readers have been told about our goodbye."

the besten track place possible for an undisturbed weekend OK, amigo²²⁷ "Ausgezeichnet", 3293

Our next report will be from the sleepy Falklands, then. Hasta lurgo, mis lec-tores amades!

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The Duke of Edinburgh, President of the City and Guids of London Institute, will present the 1982 Prince Philip Medal to Mr. L. J. Holliday at Buckingham Palace on May 21. 1946, who will be retiring in October at the age of 65. His service to music at the Minster spans more than 50 years, having joined as a chorister in 1929.

Australia's day in the auction room

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

Australian book dealers have the more empensive copy was flooded into London for in better condition, but the other candidates the regioned service for Sir Rudolph Peters will be held at a Caius. College. Cambridge, at 2 pm. on April 24.

Youth Hostels

Association

(England and Wales)

The following have been elected honorary officers of the Youth Hostels Association (England and Wales):

Vice-presidents: Dr David Bellamy and Mr John Parfitt national chairman: Mr Hedley Alcack; vice-chairman: Mr Hedley Alcack; vice-chairm Australian book dealers have flooded into London for Sutheby's two-day sale of Austra-

Lancheons largerial Society of Knights Backelin.
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Sir Gilbert indefield (deputy knight principal). Dr. Gerald Ellson (prelate): Sir Arthur Driver (registrar). Sir Linh Heward (treasurer). Lord Fraser of Kilmorack. Sir Rex Niven. Sir Alexander Durie. Sir John Tilney. Sir Eric Cheadle, Sir Anthony Lowis and LL. Col. A. Colin Cale (Garter King of Arms).

Security Research Mr Andrew Rowden MP was vice-chairmen: Mr Roger Moon; and Mr Ian Picton; treasurer: Mr John Archard Jones; national secretary: Miss Annabel Linney.

Middle Bast Association :

Mr Peter Rees, QC, Minister of State for Trade, was the principal guest at the annual luncheon of the Middle East Association held yesterday at the Hilton hotel. Mr Management Lord Mayor, Sir Christopher Lord Denman, a vice-president, also spoke. These present in chidest members of the Diglo matic Corps.

Law Society
The Lord Mayor, accompanied by Sheriff Anthony Eskenzi, was the gnest of the President of the Law Society, Mr Benis Marshall, at a luncheon held at 60 Carey Street yesterday. The ather the Chairman of A. P. Bank Limited and Marthoness Townshead, with the directors of the benish and the Chairman of A. P. Bank Limited and Marthoness Townshead, with the directors of the benish and the the directors of the benish and the the directors of the benish and the directors of the benish directors of the benish and the directors of the benefits the

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Bowton (secretary—general).

Imperial War Museum

Hotel yesterday. The guests

The chairman of the trustees of set David and Ends Maran. Mr and Mrs. Set David and Lady Gormson: Mr and Mrs. Set John Grandy, gaye. a. L. B. Lovd. St. Richard and Lady Perser.

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opening of the BMS Edinburgh Exhibition by Vice Admiral Sir

Reception

English-Socaking Union Music Council

The English Speaking Union Music Council gave a reception at the Martini Testach yesterday, Mrs. Edward Norman-Butler, thairman of the council received Mr. Andrew Bowden, MP, was host at a luncheon given he Martini Terrach resterday, at the House of Commons by Security Research. Those present included members of the Diphomatic Gorps. Air The High Commissioner for Australia and Mrs. Garland. The Bigh Commissioner and, Jean-Jeseph Cooper, Miss Jose Dixon Ruth Lady Fermey, Mr Edward Greizifeiti, Mr. Mangur Parkien, Dano Eva Turger and Miss Eleans Warren.

himited and Marchiotess Towns-head; with the directors of the back and their ladies, were hosts at the sixty second annual dinner of the bank held at the Savoy



Jan Leeming with her award yesterday...

Repeat success for newscaster

Jan Leening yesterday were the deat troudcasting programme of Television and Radio Industries the year. Bridesilead Revisiond Chib. award as newscaster of the year Bibs. Television programme, of year for the second year in the year Lase of the Summer succession.

Benny Hill was voted the independent brendessing television personality of the year and Ramine Barker the BBC Television personality of the year and Ramine Barker the BBC Television personality of the year.

Other awards were: Indepensional presenter Frank Bough.

yesterday on the occasion of the Birthdays today

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for 17,560 (estimate £4,000 15,000) to Insura, and a sev-trend century sword blade

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Struggle for chess lead at Hastings

From Harry Golom Chess Couresponder Hastings

After two rounds played Blind World Chess Champ champion, Krylov and work champion, Ruders six other players with

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OBITUARY

MR MARTIN BATTERSBY

Painter designer and writer

Mr Martin Rattensby, pair. Despite his achievements er, designer and writer, died in these media it is likely that it became an April 3 as the he will be remembered most ge of 68.

A polymath of the visual sance of interest in the arts, his intense pussoin of decerative arts of the late tyle in all its forms gave him interests and early twenter authority in ancient and next centuries. His books,

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Death, Heaven, and Serungs.

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University news:

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ed by Australian financier Mr Robert Holmes a Court, also

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all but a few of their shares

to enable them to continue

The court action stands adjourned until May 10 when it is expected, the pension

private papers and confiden-tial memos relating to the case to be given to the court.

Meanwhile the ACC direct

Tuesday but could be ex-tended. His first offer at 110p

opposing Mr Gill's payoff.

fund will ask for

On the stock market, an

The fact that indexed gilts

1.84

Bank steps in

to smooth

pound's fall

The financial markets suf-

lered another severe bout of

economic and political rami-fications of the Falklands

The pound dropped a Further L85 cents to \$1.7495

in London, its lowest closing level since September 1977. Bank of England inter-

vention to smooth its fall was noticeably heavier than usual and market estimates put it at around \$100m.

The pound's weakness hit

the money markets and Government stocks. Some

period rates rose by about ½ per cent, while long-dated gats fell by a further £2 lasses of up to £2% on

Monday.
On the London stock

market, £2,100m was wiped

of the market value of the same and the FT index fell

6.9 to close at 553.0, making

the fall over two days 18

Only gold looked more cheerful. The price rose \$11.75 yesterday to \$349.50, a rump of \$22.50 since last Friday.

The pound was the centre

of attention on the world's foreign exchange markets.

foreign exchange markets. Strong selfing pressure was reported from all areas and all types of traders. Sterling dropped in fits and starts as dealers bid prices down, then awaited reaction. The Bank of England was thought to have intervened at several pionts during the day, chiefly in dollars.

But the intervention, though substantial by recent standards; was well below crists proportions.

The period dropped sharply

down 6 premnigs to DM 4,2250, while its trade-weig-

heed index lost 0.9 to finish

at 89.4, a drop of 1.6 since Friday and its lowest level

In the money markets,

shortterm rates were a little

crisis proportions.

since November.

BUSINESS NEWS

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a target company first closing date.

Recovery after early panic news helped Phicons put on 4p to 22p and BPCC harden 3p to 41p,

LONDON EXCHANGE

FT Index 553.0 down 6.9. FT Gills 66.53 down 1.12. FT All share 315.98 down.

Bargains 29,258. Political uncertainty continued to cast its shadow over the stock, market where panic markdowns by indica where pains indicated on indicate down.

17.6 by mid-morning, but with-buyers returning to the market it was just 6.9 down at the close at

553.Q. A further wave of selling in the gilt market, though not as much as the previous day, saw long dates fall a net £2 after a raily on encouraging money supply figures.

around £%.

Once again it was companies with Argentinian connexions which were the heaviest casualties, with Unifever 18p off at 599p; and BAT. shedding 13p to 400p. But Lloyds. Bank ended the day unchanged at

#18p. Cincle shedding 12p to a share, and increased dividend.

444p and GEC 15p off at 802p.

William Baird, sipped 5p to 211p after profits in its profits with market expectations while employwere the leading falls among blue:

chips, but there were plus signs
against Glazzo 4p better at 556p
and GKM 1p firmer at 156p.

Bowater put on 1p to 239p
after the group's 25 per cent
boost in pretax profits to £107m
exceeded most expectations.

Satisfaction with recent tracing.

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In oils Certes
to 175p.

COMMODITIES

 Afternoon cooper values railier; egain in sympathy with further strength in gold. Nervous shadon-vering littled three months light grade metal to the day's high of

9 Continued beying during the atternoon, which was generally beleived to be on buffer stock account, look standard grade tick up to £7,370 and £7,400 respectively. Dealers said the buying seemed to be mostly promptest by the continued weakness of sterling against the

• Raw sugar futures closed slightly steadler, near the day's highs, between £0.75 and £0.5 per tonne above the previous day's close in traded positions.

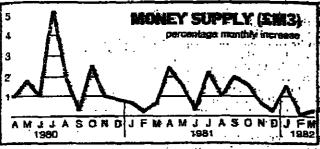
TODAY

Sheikh Ahmed Yamani, Saudi Arabia's oil minister, will be chief quest at the annual dinner of the intitution of Mining and Metallurgy

in London tonight.

Board meetings. Interims: Photo-Me International, Scottish Cities investment Trust, Walker and Homes. Finals: A. C. Cars, Associated Book Publishers, Benford Concrete Machinery, Dorada, Expanded Metal, Fothergill and Harvey, Gill and Duffus, Humlleigh Group, Lead Industries, Lec Retrigeration, Albert Martin, Phoenix Assurance, Portals, Austin Read, Ruberoid, Stewart Wrightson, Sun Alliance and London Insurance, Triplevest, Ward White.

Slight rise in M3



Sterling M3, the broad definition of banking money, rose by an estimated 0.25 per cent on the four weeks to March 17, according to the Bank of England. Narrow money, M1, fell by 0.25 per cent and private sector liquidity (PSL2) rose by 0.5 per cent. Sterling M3 has grown at annualized rate of 13% per cent. Since last February and 8% per cent over the latest six months. The public sector, helped by £1,000m of back tax, had a contractionary effect on money last month, but bank lending to the private sector probably topped £2,000m.

Business Editor, page 15 Sterling M3, the broad definition of banking money

Europe gas reserve offer

The Netherlands' state-controlled gas company forcast yesterday that Western Europe would have to, import nearly half its gas supplies by the year 2000 and offered its Groningen field as a reserve to give security of supply. Nederlandse Gasunie estimated that about 25 per cent of the supplies would come from the Soviet Union and that Botth Africa another 13 per cent. The company said the Groningen field could give Europe a safeguard against a cut-off in foreign gas. The United States is concerned over future reliance on Soviet case. concerned over future reliance on Soviet gas.

\$50m Zimbabwe aid deal

Zimbabwe and the 'United States are due to sign a \$50m (£28.5m) and agreement today which will enable the husiness sector in Zimbabwe to increase its imports from the United States. Diplomatic sources in Salisbury, said the bulk of the aid would go to the private sector on Zimbabwe ensuring higher import quotas after two successive substantial cutbacks in import allocations.

Sugar exporters **EEC** complaint

Despite being thwarted through the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade in their four-year challenge to the European Community's export rebate programme, the sugar exporting communes sugar exporting committees have realitiment their confi-dence in the Gatt dispute, settlement system by launching a fresh complaint against the Community's subsidy sys-tem. The objectors, including Argentina, Brazil and Australia, are complaining that the system is causing them finan-cial barm by depressing

• The Council for the Securities Industry, the City's ultimate watchdog, has de-cided to allow companies involved in agreed takeover bids to buy as many shares as they wish in the target firm, seven days after the bid is announced. In a contested takeover, the predator cannot own more than 30 per cent of

Unclaimed fortune

Descendants of a Leningrad family last heard of before the 1917 Russian Revolution can claim 532,800 Australian mining company shares werth-abour 5857,900.

The Brisbane-based MEM Holdings company has for more than 60 years sent off-divident cheques to four shareholders from a family called Zottof. But the cheques, sent to their last listed addresses in Leningrad, come back worked not become back marked not known at this address and are paid to the Queensland public trustee.

Labroke purchase Ladbroke's has acquired the Ladbroke's has acquired the Demmy Leisure Group, which operates. 73 betting shops in the blotth-West, for £4.05m. Payment of part of the purchase price will be deferred. Freehold properties valued in excess of £500,000 are included in the price.

ACC chiefs 'had use MARKET SUMMARY of villa in Portugal

By Philip Robinson

of ACC.

chartterm rates were a little teasier, reflecting comfortable fall was the result of jobbers in the period rates jumped by up to period rates jumped by up to relatively little business was done at these levels. By the end of the day, buyers were stance, rising to 14 per cen beginning to emerge.

Aurora sind ap to 14p and 6# & Duffer sico essed 2p to 14p and 6# & Duffer sico essed 2p to 137p.
Rammesson's £70m cash call Fresh allegations of the unfairly prejudicial to the benefits available to directors shareholders.

of Associated Communities is backed by 13 institutions Corporation to be lodged with the High Court is making a takeover bid for today will now include a villa ACC, TVW Enterprises, headdepressed the property sector with Hammerson 20p down at 585p — a two day fall of 55p and feders Land Securities 8p off at 282p and Great Portland in Portugal, owned by a Swiss subsidiary, with full-time maid and gardener.

on at 252p and seven runname 6p easier at 174p. Scottish Metropolitan Prop-ecty shed 1p to 85p despite at 36 per cent half-time profits increase: The allegations form part of the amendments by the per cent half-time profits increase and increased dividend: Property, sales will play a part in Woohworth's read to recovery, according to Mr. Geoffrey Rodgers, chaitman: After a profits talt and cut in dividend; 26 stores are for sale, but only at a price well in excess of book value. Mr Redgess, says. Woohworth shares were 15 p. off at 46 fee. Post Office pension fund to rest or the control of the control o

linector. Other allegations include the ordering of an eight-seater Cessna jet without board approval, fees paid to directsays. Woolworth shares were 1% post at 46 kp.
Disappoining figures climed:
Sp from Christins International at 132n, while construction group fings and fall were 90 eff at 148p in the dull building sector, despite reporting, a 73 per cent profits boost, net assets of 299p a share, and increased dividend.
Visitiam Bairt, scoper 50 to ors via an American subsidiary, the procuring by Mr Jack Gill of benefits for fellow ACC director Mr Ellis Birk, and a luxury flat above ors yesterday recommended ACC's West End head-shareholders to accept the quarters which was refur-offers from Mr Holmes a bished by Mr Gill for his own Court, which close next

use.
The Post Office pension 21 to all the profits the up in the with market expectations while employment agency group beautive steel for the 20 profit result to 20 profit return to the same of the same fund is opposing the payoff for the non-voting shares and to Mr. Gill and an option to £4.40 for the ordinary shares buy his house at £100,000 is conditional on it being below market value on the accepted by holders of 90 per profits in the second half of this grounds that it is an action cent of the shares. in oils Carlesa Capel put on 5p

OTHER EXCHANGES

Index 7,293.59 down 50.76

Hongkong: Hang Seng Index 1,200.12 up 3.85

CURRENCIES.

● The pound suffered further sharp falls against all leading

currencies on worries about the Falklands crisis. The dollar was:

LONDON CLOSE

\$1.7495 down 165 points

MONEY MARKETS

er as sterling continued to fall

firmer as sterling continued to fall.
But condition at the short end remained comfortable. The Bank bought £57m. of bills on a forecast shortage of £50m.

Domestic rates:
Base rates: 13%: 3 month? interbank 147:e-1315:s

3 month dollar 15%-15% 3 month dollar 15%-15% 3 month DM 9%-9 3 month Fr F 23%-22%

generally stronger.

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DOLLAR

Fr. F 10.9800

Index 89.4 down 0.9

Yen 434.00

Index 116.3 up 0.1

\$349.50 up \$11.75

DM 2.4135 up 37 pts

Six more drilling licences Gerettr David granted for rural England Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones

parts of Dorset, Somerset and the Hampshire/Sussex

In a move likely to lead to more clashes with conserva-tionists, Mr Nigel Lawson, Secretary of State for En-

Government has ergy, yesterday issued six opened the way for oilmen to new onshore oil production erik across a wide swathe of southern England, including some of the most picturesque Canadian companies, led by Canadian companies, led by Carless Capel Leonard, of

> Four of the licences cover nearly 1,000 square kilo-metres of Wiltshire, Somerset and Dorset.

Imports freeze a body blow to British group's hopes

£165m Nigeria contract collapses

By Edward Townsend, Industrial Correspondent

the West African government last month.

The contract, for the building and equipping of a college of technology and an intitution of mining and metallurgy in the state of Kwara, was won recently in the face of strong European competition by Capital Plant International, a subsidiary of

ruary, of which 195m was covered by the Export Credits Guarantee Depart-Since then, however, the Federal Ministry of Finance

Although Cotts, whose chairman is Mr Philip Dunk-ley, said that consultations

the Mitchell Cotts group.
London banker Morgan
Grenfell signed agreements
for the loan of £165m to the Kwara government in Feb-

in Lagos has withdrawn its guarantee of the funding. Mitchell Cotts said yesterday.

Britain appears to have lost its present form". CPI, it one of its largest Nigerian said, was seeking clarificanstruction contracts — cation of the contractual construction contracts — cation of the contractual worth £165m — through the position "on both technical freeze on imports imposed by and legal grounds".

with the Nigerian authorities were taking place, it seems: that the British company has accepted that the project has been abandoned. This is despite reports from Lagos two weeks ago that the country's central bank's ban on the processing of appli-cations for foreign exchange and new letters of credit was expected to continue for only four weeks.

Existing approvals for foreign exchange and letters of credit were expected to be hononred.

CPI is believed to have spent about £250,000 over the in Lagos has withdrawn its spent about 122-19-19-19 sidiary, intercam Science and guarantee of the funding last two years preparing its Educational Projects, which Michell Cours said yesterday: tender for the Nigerian was preparing to purchase contract, a major factor in will not proceed, certainly in helping to fight competition the new Nigerian colleges



Mr Dunkley: Still talking

initially from Dutch Czechoslovakian companies. Assistance was provided by another Mitchell Cotts subsidiary, Intercam Science and

cheaper ways of developing the field.

nounced yesterday that 120 jobs would go at its Cliff

Quay granulation plant in Ipswich. Two days ago 80 redundancies were an-

nounced at the Stanford-le-

Hope works in Essex, which

☐ Nearly 300 jobs will be lost in London and the North

Centenary

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Bowater

international paper group, marked its centenary yester-

day by raising pretax profits from £85m to £106.7m for the

Most of the increase

estimated at £20m at the trading level — came from exchange gains on trans-lation of results of the

group's major pulp and paper interests in North America.

Dividends have been held at last year's level —a total for

the year at 16.42p gross.

year to December, 1981.

Fertilisers

☐ Fisons

is being closed.

from about 200 United King-

dom suppliers. It was not clear yesterday whether Nigeria is proposing that the Kwara development that the Awara development he cancelled or postponed but, either way, there could be a damaging impact on future United Kingdom job

opportunities. Another major contract awarded by Nigeria in which there is significant British there is significant brossing participation is £100m of work for the water corporation of Oyo State. Costain International was awarded

International was awarded the larger share of the contract, worth £67m.

In addition, British engineering and construction companies are chasing more than £500m of Nigerian contracts covering hospitals, railways nower stations. railways, power stations, housing, office and port

developments.

The result of the import moratorium, according to the Confederation of British Industry, is that up to £250m of business could be lost

Hebrides jobs threatened

By Jonathan Davis, Energy Correspondent

lose their jobs as a result of the sharp downturn in North Sea oil development activity.
The yard, which was opened on 1975, is the largest ingle employer on the Isle of

Its threatened closure is another serious blow to employment prospects in Scotland, and comes at a time when the drying up of new field development orders - blamed by the industry on high oil taxes and falling oil prices — is beginning to cause disquiet among govern-

ment officials. Lewis Offshore, a subsidi-ary of the Norwegian Fred Olsen group, said that it was issuing statutory 90 day redundancy notices to 404 employees, virtually the entire workforce, yesterday. The company will continue to seek orders, but if none has

ready to be reopened if fresh orders are obtained. The yard has been building

wellhead modules and flare preliminary design work for Lewis, and employs more than one in 20 of the Outer Hebrides' working popu-

More than 400 workers at been secured within three as a result of the completion months, the vard will close, of BP's Magnus field plattion yard at Stornaway in the It will however be kept on form.

Outer Hebrides are likely to "care and maintenance" In another significant development, Phillips Pet-roleum has told contractors who put in bids for the

> booms for Marathon Oil's the development of the so Brae field production platform, but the work is almost complete and management at Lewis Offshore are not no contracts will now be optimistic about the prospect awarded for the time being of gettine new orders in the while the consortium studies present climate. Officials at the Department

of Energy and the Offshore Supplies Office are believed to be becoming alarmed at the decline in offshore ord-No new field development

plans have been submitted to . the department for two years now, and while six new fields are still under development. the outlook for large new projects is poor. Highland Fabricators' yard

of England through a re-organization of the UBM Group's builders' merchants division. A smaller number of jobs will be created in Bristol.

SE inquiry over two members

By Philip Robinson

The Stock Exchange is to investigate alleged dealing irregularities and infringements of the rules by two of its members. At noon yester-day, the leading Government securities stocklobber Ak-royd and Smithers suspended gilt dealer Mr John A Thompson over dealing ir-regularities. Four hours later, stockbrokers Buckmaster and Moore said that in connexion with that suspenreport to the exchange relat-ing to a former employee. This will be the second exhange investigation into. the business conduct of its members in just over a year.

Last March, the exchange started investigating former stockbroker Halliday, Simpson. The firm was sus-pended last summer. But both Akroyd and Buckmaster made it clear thast the reports they have lodged are not connected with the Halliday investigation.

Akroyd said it had suffered a negligible loss over the irregularities. The usual value of most gilt bargains is £500,000 but values of between £2m and £3m are not uncommon.
Mr Thompson, an ex-

Bowater Corporation, the said: "I'm surprised I have been suspended. I can't tell you what the irregularities are. I would rather make no comment."

Mr Henry France, a senior partner, said the firm's former employee was in-volved with its fund management side and left of his own volation a few weeks ago. He added: "No client of Buckmaster was involved and no losses have been sustained by

Total group sales were slightly down on last year at £1,738m against £1,760. United Kingdom sales were up, however, from £572m to £651m, but United Kingdom profits fell to £19.3m from £24.8m. North American profits

rose from £80.9m to £103.3m with its sales, predominantly paper and pulp, moving to £452 from £326m. Lord Erroll, chairman, said

improvements in profitability towards the end if the year by a number of group operations reflected two operations reflected two years of reorganization. The shares rose 1p against yesterday's market trend to close at today (Wed) on the surprise 239p. Business Editor, page 15 bid from the fund. day's market trend to close at

BID STOPS FEDERATED PURCHASE

A meeting of Federated Land shareholders to approve the acquistion of Estates & General was adjourned after a £19m bid for Federated by the British Steel pension fund made last Friday.

The pension fund's 175p a

share cash offer superceded an earlier offer from construction and property group M P Kent valuing Federated at about £15m. A statement is expected from M P Kent

Incorporated in France with limited hability

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Read. Office: 5 avenue Klèber, Paris 16 ème.

The shareholders of Compagnie Bancaire are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting to be held on Wednesday 28th April, 1982 at 3.0 p.m. at the Head Office, 5 avenue Kléber,

Paris 16 ème, to consider the following Agenda: - The Report of the Board of Management.

- The Report of the Supervisory Board.

- The general report of the Auditors.

- The special report of the Auditors in accordance with Article 143 of the Law of 24th July, 1966.

- The examination and approval of the Balance Sheet and Accounts for the financial period 1931.

-The appropriation of profits and the fixing of the dividend.

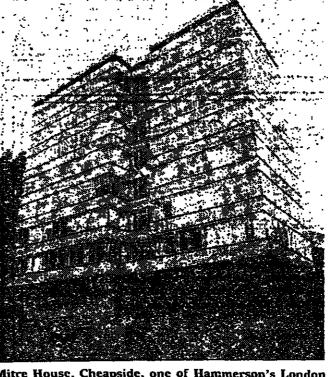
 The confirmation of the co-option of a member of the Supervisory Board:

The Prorogation of the duties of the Auditors.

- Any other business. In order to attend or be represented at the Meeting,

owners of registered shares must have been entered on the register five clear days prior to the Meeting. Holders of bearer shares must deposit, at least five clear days prior to the Meetings at the Head Office, either their share certificate or a certificate of deposit, issued by the bank, financial institution or stockbroker with whom their shares are lodged.

Shareholders who wish to attend the Meeting are requested to make advance application to the Company for an admission card.



Mitre House, Cheapside, one of Hammerson's London properties.

Property group makes £70.5m cash call By. Baron Phillips

Hammerson Property and of £12.6m. Also, it has Investment Trust is making a £70.5m cash call on share-holders through a three-forten rights issue. The money ten rights used to be a second of £12.6m. Also, it has Investment to have a second of £12.6m. Also, it has Investment to have a second of £12.6m. Also, it has Investment to have a second of £12.6m. Also, it has Investment Trust is making a renegotiated the lease held by present tenants bankers. Schroder Wagg who are paying a £2m rent. is being used mainly to buy out minority interests in some of the group's key properties both in the United Kingdom and Australia.

At the same time, Hammerson unveiled excellent results. Taxable profits in the year to December 31, 1981 rose from £10.9m to £15.061m

the group developed the country's largest shopping centre at Brent Cross, Hammerson has extended the lease on the site to 180 years The market reacted un-

rose from £10.9m to £15.061m on gtoss rental income ahead by more than a quarter from £40.47m to £50.8m.

Through a series of negotiations. Hammerson has bought out the interests in the 100.000 co from the series of the rights issue. Prices in Hammerson "A" shares which fell by 30p on Monday dipped further to 585p from 610p yesterday. It is generally estimated that Hammerson's net asset value was around the series of the rights issue. Prices in Hammerson "A" shares which fell by 30p on Monday dipped further to 585p from 610p yesterday. It is generally estimated that Hammerson's net asset value was around the series of the se the 100,000 so ft office 800p a share and following building Mitre House in the issue, this will fall to Cheapside, London, at a cost about 725p.

In North London, where

Commerce Secretary's warning on recession

Leading US groups face bankruptcy

From Bailey Morris Washington, April 5

Several large United States American World Airways corporations are in such were named by a top credit precarious condition finanrating firm as some of the
cially that they may not companies on its "speculasurvive the present recession tive" list, pointing to their
and the Government will not serious financial problems.

be forced into bankruptcy Reagan Administration.

Baldrige,

help them if they fail, Mr Baldrige told reporters according to Mr Malcolm today the persistent problem the Commerce of high interest rates had compounded the problems of Secretary.

Mr Baldrige believes up to the ailing companies which three big corporations could be refused to blame on the Reagan Administration.

be forced into ourse to before the economy begins to Instead. Mr Balurige in rebound, which he said sisted that United States would happen some time this corporations had been hit with a barrage of problems Though not identified by which had grown steadily Mr Bakirige, International over a 15-year period, cre-Harvester, Braniff Inter- ating the latest economic mational Chrysler and Pan crisis in America.

same, depressed conditions cation or subsidization for into the summer months, failing companies,"he said.

agreeing with recent private

A top executive of Sta forecasts that unemployment would continue to rise in the months ahead, possibly to a new post-depression record of 9.4 or higher. "Unemployment always increases after the bottom has been reached" Mr Baldrige said.

But even if business condeteriorate more ditions rapidly than expected, the Reagan Administration would not come forward with finacial assistance to tide failing companies over the bad period. "I don't think the

He predicted more of the do anything in credit allo-A top executive of Stan-

dard and Poor, one of Wall Street's most prestigious credit rating companies, said he thought Mr Baldrige's prediction of up to three big business failures was "overly optimistic".

Mr Tom Hyland, the com-pany's vice-president for ratings, said his firm had given "speculative credit ratings" to a sizeable number of American companies and a handful of them could fail if there was no rapid improvement in the economy.





COMPAGNIE BANCAIRE

Going south with the fleet... Singing in the rainwear

The market is dominated by fear

Fear and greed are the most important motivation in the stock market (Sally White writes). This week fear dominated, as the Argentine invasion forces shook the British Government. But there were also a lot of technical factors that contributed to the shares'

Yesterday was the first day of the tax year. Some selling came from investors who wanted to lock in profits. The Inland Revenue now allows each individual £5,000 of capital gains, up from £3,000. There is now more scope for tax saving.

It is the beginning of a three-week account that includes a long Bank Holiday. Investors who take a trading view were selling rather than risk being locked in over period of uncertainty created by rising United States interest rates.

Then the jobbers started the account slightly long of stock as recent trading had been good and the market seemed inclined to rise because of the improving wholesale price figures. They were very quick to mark down prices yesterday to avoid adding to stock at high prices.

Gilts were due to "consolidate" according to many brokers' recommendations — that is fall after recent rises. Institutions were cautious about buying.

with analysts forecasting that

April sales may fall further because rebate programmes began winding down at the end of March d the pattern

has been for sales to plunge

when they end.

In an effort to ease the

inevitable letdown, General

Motors last week began

offerng interest-rate sub-

sidies in place of its expired

cash rebatesm, and Chrysler

extended its discount offer

until April 10. Ford is

Detroit, April 6.—Despite vehicles from another round of price promotions by the United States

GM sales for

deliveries of domestic cars 9,987; and American declined 23 per cent and 50 per cent to 4,963. Import sales fell 21 per cent.

The future is also bleak sales provided a

car makers, sales in March fell 22 per cent from a year earlier.

March sales fell to 771,293 vehicles from 956,262 America sales of domestically

vehicles from 956,262 America sales of domestically vehicles a year earlier while built cars, 41 per cent to

Lastly, private client selling started the dive as panic set in about the stability of the Government. What sort of selling comprises volumes of small parcels of shares and has in the past started major downward spirals. Given that prospect institutions sold, too, just in case the market went south with the fleet.

Baird spots a silver lining

When a company's principal activities are in textiles and engineering the going is bound to be hard (Sally White writes). William Baird, Glasgow-based textile and industrial group. is in that position, and warned shareholders at the half-way stage that it was finding life a struggle in this stage of the economic cycle. For the final the company has announce pretax profit down from £8.1m to £5.7m on sales down from £152m to £151m. The final dividend is 7.5p. unchanged on increased capital. making 12.5p.

A breakdown of trading profit shows that the textile side is down from £6.1m to £4.5m and Darchem, the industrial side is down from \$2.8m to \$2.3m. While the share price fell slightly on its own account, as well as with the market generally, these results were ex-

Donald Parr. the company's new chairman, is cautious about prospects for this year, but market hopes are for £8½m. to £10m at least. That would leave the yield in double figures — still just below 9 per cent — heich is to be expected,

vehicles a year earlier.

GM sales for March de-

9,987; and American Motors,

A year ago, late-March sales provided a classic example of what typically

happens when extensive price promotions end. Mid-March 1981 had been the final 10

days of cash rebates, and

domestic sales hit a robust

10.1 million-vehicle pace. Then without the help of rebates, late-March 1981 sales

plunged to a 5.1 million-

It came as little surprise to

expected to follow suit.

year rose 24 per cent to

Motor Sales US spokesman

The latest round of price 235,292 vehicles from the
promotions never really year-earlier 189,248 deliverstimulated a high level of ies. Late-March sales this Clifford G. Schmillen, vice

sales. In March, for example, year were equivalent to a president of American Hondomestic sales fell to 572,293 seasonally-adjusted annual da, said March was a good

vehicle rate.

US car sales tumble despite promotions

industry analysts that late—
March domestic sales this hurting everybody", a Toyota
very rose 24 per cent to Motor Sales US spokesman

given the areas in which Baird operates. The ratin g would be an undemanding 6 times.

As a company, Baird has changed its shape several times, always aiming to diversify. But its last acquisition, in December, was to buy the rainwear maker Dannimac for £8.3m — Dannimax made £3.3m pretax in the year to Mau 9, 1981.

While the Dannimac profit for the year before acquisition was said to be an exceptional one, it is a good quality business and might be able to do the same amount if there is little bit of cash around in the High Street. The other textile business — 40 per cent of output goes to Marks & Spencer — should also be able to perform better this year as comment coming from the textile industry generally is that margins should mprove.

Baird's industrial interests have also been concentrated on high quality business. Its main operations are insulation and contracts were won last year to insulate the Torness nuclear power station near Edinburgh and the nuclear power station at Heysham. These contracts will show through in the figures this

Cash is the strong point about Baird: even when the rest of the business is fighting for better profit margins it can still make money on the 50p of cash it has per share. Investment income last year was £1.2m against £1.6m. U While opinion has warmed to

Baird, it has cooled a little on another major company in the textile industry, Dawson. Yester-

A Wall Street journal

survey of leading importers showed that March import

sales declined to about 199,000 vehicles from the year-earlier 241,200. Analysts

said the decline, to a seaso-

nally adjusted annual pace of about 2 million vehicles,

reflects import restrictions

on Japanese cars and a

softening market for small

cars.
All six leading Japanese

importers announced sales

declines, ranging from 9.5

per cent for Nissan US to 49

per cent for Chrysler, which imports cars made by Mitsu-

Besides the effects of

import restrictions, Japanese

importers attributed their lower sales to the weak



A Christies auction: lot to think about

Haggas has resigned as deputy chairman. Since he was associated with "tight cash" management, the market view is that investors could be cautious

Christies feels the pinch

The international art market has not proved quite as resilient as the first-half figures from the two major auction houses, Christies International and Sothebys. were suggesting. Sothebys was already starting to feel the squeeze last year but Christies,

every car we got, and our

dealers are down to a 10-day supply of cars."

Percentage of US market

(excluding imports)

PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL

US MARKET

General Motors......

American Motors..... 0.9

General Motors ... 45.3

American Motors

Volkswagen..... Honda Other imports March March 1982 1981

12.7

day, it was announced that Brian with its leaner cost structure, got rather flattered by higher interest by with only a one-tenth cut in inc

The second half, however, has been much less kind to Christies with pre-tax profits in the period slumping two-fifths to £2.02m to leave the full year down by a quarter at £5.28m. With the stock market hoping to see Christies get through an admittedly very difficult year with perhaps no more than a £1.5m decline in profits, the shares eased 6p to 134p in a weak market generally. weak market generally.

They would probably have fared even worse, given the forecast of a drop in profits in the current half-year, but for the group's decision to maintain the dividend

a share gross. The 7½ per ield is, a couple of points than that of Sotherbys. cent bette t from the added pressures by Christies decision last ber to trim the buyers' prenim from 10 to 8 per cent, the full effect of which is refle ed in the chairman's cautious essessment for the current six ponths, the main pressures have one on the cost front.

Ager a 10 per cent rise in auctin sales in the first half, there was a fall in the second and e whole year the total was a £10m ahead at £185m ared with the double figure h rates of previous years. addition auction sales have d to be in small lots rather the lucrative headline-catchig sales that have boosted s in recent years.

pre-tax total has also been the from the group's very to balance sheet and foreign ange gains of £759,000 arising its interests in the United s and Switzerland.

far as the immediate future ncerned, the key to Christies ling lies in the fact that costs lid not be rising as steeply as lebys, now that its overseas insion is completed.

he competition battle. At the nent Christies looks better menent Christies looks better plied but Sothebys has surprised the fine art market as well as the fine art market as well as the k market in the past.

penalty which is being passed on to United Kingdom tax

payers and coal users". in fact, says Sir Derek, the

coal exports are priced in

line with European Community rules, which forbids undercutting to secure business, but allow "alignment" to competition from third

countries. The coal board's

almost 10 million tonnes a year last year — were made at

a delivered cost above com-parable coals from third

Far from costing the

texpayer money, the extra business has enabled the NCB to avoid the costs

involved in stocking coal that would otherwise have gone unsold, and has also gener-ated large cash income, Sir

Derek says. He claims it is the only way

the board could meet its financial targets set by the

countries.

nt it still remains to be seen the two big houses survive, not the gloves really come off pliers who themselves are trading fairly and that this policy carries a high cost



APPOINTMENTS

panel's new

of British & European Reinsu-rance, Mr T. Roberts, general manager of UK, General Accident

Fire & Life Corporation, and Mr R Sepal, managing director of Albany Life Assurance, have been

Insurance Advisers. Mrs M.

Turner, assistant general sec-

retary, Association of Scientific Technical and Managerial Staffs, and Mr M. Weinberg, deputy chairman and loint managing

chairman and joint managing director of Hambro Lide Assur-

ance, have been reappointed to

the panel.

Insurance

members

ME TO

SWEDER

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AP ...

Sir Jack Sfewart-Clark, former managing director of Philips Electrical and Pye of Cambridge, has been appointed to the board of Low and Bossar. Sir Jack represents East Sussex in European Parliament. Mr Carles W. Orange has been

Mr Carles W. Orange has been made finance director of AAH Holdings from June 1.

Mr M. Rayburn has been appointed to the board of the Burmah-Castrot Company as personnel director. Mr M. P. Ridley has also been appointed to the beautiful process. the board, he will be responsible

for kubricants manufacturing and distribution operations.

Mr. Michael Sheeran has become managing director of the Charles Clark Motor Group. Mr C. H. Stapleton has been

appointed a director of Gill & Duffus Group. He is joint managing director of Pacol, one of the company's principal subsidiaries. Mr N. J. Cosh will be joining the company on May 1 and has been appointed to the board as group finance director from that date. Mr.R. G. McFall and Mr R. J. Thorne have retired and have left the board of the company.

Mr Robert L. Black has been

named group chief executive of Mitchell Somers. He succeeds Mr Jack Picken who has retired. Mr Ian Brash of the Crown Cork Co. has been elected chairman of the executive committee of the British Aerosol Manufacturers' Association. He succeeds Mr George Hodgson who has re-signed as chairman of the van of Beecham Proprietaries has van or Beecham Proprietanes has been elected vice-chairman. He was previously chairman of the Association's Marketing & External Relations Committee. Mr Anthony Bracking of Johnson Wax has

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months £346-50-347. Sales.
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228: three months £336-50
Settlement £328. Sales, 7.450 to

Team will 715,262 rate of about 5.8 million month, even though Honda sales fell 21 per cent to 29,594 vehicles. "We sold study link with Japan

INFOTECH

The government has set up a study group of academics and members of industry and government ministries to advise on the scope for collaborative research programmes needed to exploit

information technology.

Headed by Mr John Alvey,
senior director of technology at British Telecom, the group is expected to report to Mr Kenneth Baker, by the end of

The move follows a visit to Japan last October by a delegation led by the Department of Industry to study the prospects of collaboration with the Japanese on the development of what is termed Fifth Generation computers — those com-puters which would have 'super' processing capabili-ties and respond to the human voice.

The visit precipitated a seminar in London at the beginning of this year which was attended by delegates from the three main sectors represented on the new dvisory panel. The results of the preliminary discussions with the Japanese were reported to the group which determined that a study team could help formulate the policy to be followed by British industry in develop-ing information technology

products. The group consists of the following: Mr John Alvey, senior director of technology, British Telecom; Mr nology, British Telecom; Mr
Iann Barron, managing director, Inmos; Mr Colin
Haley, director, product line
planning, ICL; Mr Philip
Hughes, chairman, Logica
Holdings; Mr Charles Read,
director, Inter Bank Research Organization; Mr
Derek Roberts director of
research, GEC; Mr Keith
Warren, director of technology and strategic plan-Warren, director of technology and strategic planning, Plessey; Mr Brian
Oakley, secretary, Science
and Engineering Research
Council; Dr Hywel Davies,
deputy controller, research
programmes, Ministry of
Defence; Mr John Major,
Under Secretary electronics Under Secretary, electronics applications division, Department of Industry and Mr Alastair Macdonald, Under Secretary, information technology division, Department of Industry.

The group will advise on computer software pro-

computer software programmes development, computer aided design, silcon technology as part of its brief.

ASH & LACY Dividend up

& Lacy, the Smethwick manufacturer and distributor of perforated and expanded metal and plastic sheeting, saw pretax profits for 1981 fall by £300,000 to £2.35m. But the final dividend was raised by 2.14p gross to 11.4 gross, making a total payout for the year of 20p gross, an increase of 12 per cent increase of 12 per cent.

The company says that, despite the recession, which hit manufacturing in general

LATEST RESULTS

Ash & Lacy (F) Wm. Baird (F) A. Beckman (I)

Good Relations L. Gould (F)

Hammerson (F)
Higgs & Hill (F)
Reed Exec. (F)
Senior Eng. (F)
Steams Romans (F)
Scot. Met Prop. (I)
Watts, Blake (F)

and metal industries particular, trading improveduring the second has Pretax profits in 1980 wex record. This encouraged directors sto recommend higher dividend.

External sales fell fr £27.9m to £25.2m, but interest charges also clined, reflecting ear rates, by more than £200, to £2.35m. But a sharp ris taxation from £297,000 taxation from £297,000 £661,000 left profits after well down at £1.69m or pared with £2.35m. Inigher tax charge was lated ue to a leap in defer provisions from a £27 credit to £144,000 debit.

Earnings per share co quently slipped from 56.4 40.5p, if the exceptional credit of £25,000 is exclu But the current accounts show earnings share falling from 39.3 24p. The same accounts 24p. The same accounts a pretax profits of £1 against £1.93m in £1980.



Sharp rebutta

demand.

The board's angrifer response follows an agually forceful reply from Mi Nigel Lawson, the Secretary of State for Energy, lastweek, and seems likely to last to more exchanges between the coal industry and the select Committee on Energy which has so far failed to establish itself as an influential voice in energy matters.

In particular Sir Derek rejects the charge of Adumping", a label which the committee had attached to the board's policy of selling its surplus coal production abroad at what it admits is at best at cost price.

best at cost price. "The board contest the assertion that their current exports policy constitutes dumping" in the pejorative sense in which the committee agrees to be using the word.

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Staff buy in

Mr Kenneth Baker: exp. report by summer.

Sir Derek Ezra, chaman of the National Coal Bard, has made a sharp and detailed rebuttal of crimes ms by a back bench compartee of MPs, who had accuse the board of "dumping" coal abroad and making unitalistic forecasts of future coal demand.

in energy matters.

In a letter to the dominitiee, Sir Derek says the board is disturbed by the committee's apparent misunderstanding of certain aspects of the board's position in its report published last month. He calls on the committee to correct "some of the unfortunate and misleading impressions" that it has given.

COMPUTER GROUP

Hundreds of employees of the computer services company Computer Management Group have raised £1m through funding Provided by the Clydesdale bank to buy about 28 per cent of the

ompany. A total of 372 employees of whom 192 work in Britain, have raised the money for the purchase which now means that more than 50 per ent of the company is owned by its workforce in Britain, Holland, West Germany and Belgium. In all, 476 of the 650 employees are now shareholders. The share sale has been

due primarily to the retire-ment of Mr Bryan Mills, one of the company's founders. About 27.3 per cent of the sold shares were owned by Mr Mills, his family and an associated trust. Applications were oversubscribed so co-founders Mr Doug Gorman and Mr Botl Fawcett put about 1 per cent of total shares, on sale as well to satisfy demand.

JOHNSON MATTHEY

Commodity deal Johnson Matthey Bankers,

the bullion trading subsidiary of Johnson Matthey, has paid £2.7m for Wallace Brothers, a commodity broker. The pur-chase is the most recent of several changes of ownership mong commodity compa-Wallace Brothers consists

of an American as well as a British company, both of which specialize in soft commodities such as coffee, cocoa and sugar. Johnson Matthey has bought the companies from Brooke Bond.

In January, Brooke Bond sold its insurance broking interests, 50 per cent of Gillbrooke Insurance Holdings, to its partner in the venture, Gill & Duffus, one of London's leading comsense in which the committee appears to be using the word.

"It implies that they are adopting improper pricing policies to break into established world markets to the detriment of traditional sup-

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Highlights of the year 1981

For our Group, 1981 was a highly successful period. Earnings rose by 22.7%, our capital reached USS 920 million and new offices were opened in Singapore, London, Athens, Buenos Aires, Monte Carlo and Los Angeles.

Our strategy of matching the interest rate sensitivity on assets and liabilities stood us in good stead, and throughout the year we continued to refine our treasury management systems. This, combined with cautious lending, enabled us to achieve a significant increase in net interest despite difficult economic conditions and unpredictable interest rates.

The Boards of Trade Development Bank Holding S.A. and Republic New York Corporation have announced that they are studying the possibility of an amalgamation. Founded by Trade Development Bank in 1966 with a capital of US\$ 11 million, Republic now accounts for nearly half the Group's total capital and earnings. An amalgamation would be a logical step to simplify the Group's corporate structure and concentrate its capital resources in one banking enterprise. However, before taking such an important step, both Boards would have to be satisfied that the interests of clients and minority shareholders

including exceptional profit

excluding exceptional profit

including exceptional profit

excluding exceptional profit

Average number of shares outstanding during the year

Earnings per share:

would be protected and that the amalgamation is acceptable to the regulatory authorities. We have therefore formed a study group to make a detailed investigation before making a final recommendation to shareholders.

The Board is recommending a dividend of US\$ 1.40 per share, compared with the regular dividend of US\$ 1.00 per share paid last year, to which was added an anniversary bonus of US\$ 0.25 per

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10th March, 1982

EDMOND J. SAFRA



Consolidated Balance Sheet as at 31st December, 1981

•	1981	1980		.1136 100	
Assets	USS		Liabilities	1981 L'SS	0891 000
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Physical PSS 7,807,0481	12,095,959	0,977,661	. ,	12,093,959	9,977,66
1980 figures have been restated to conform v	rith 1981 presen	itation.	Letters of credit, acceptances and guarantees	481.052	508,983

Trade Development Bank Holding S.A.

Net earnings after taxes, minority interests and transfer to inner reserves (US\$ 000) [

Principal Affiliates

Trade Development Bank, Geneva Republic National Bank of New York, New York
Other affiliates and offices in: Athens, Beirut, Buenos Aires, Ciracas, Chiasso, Frankfurt, George Town, Hong Kong,
London, Los Angeles, Luxembourg, Mexico City, Miami, Monte Carlo, Montevideo, Nassau, Panama City, Paris, Punta del Este, Rio de Janeiro, Santiago de Chile, São Paulo, Singapore, Tokyo.

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kance will finance mini Kampala yeste recent rapid productivity growth is temporary, and

unlikely to be sustained. They argue that the figures

have been boosted artificially by closure or mothballing of

by closure or mothballing of less productive capacity to give a once-and-for-all productivity hoost. And they point out that in past recessions labour "shaken out" has been "shaken in" again once recovery is underway, dampening previous productivity growth.

The Treasury counters this by arruing that continuing

by arguing that continuing

competitive pressures, and companies' expectations "of

only moderate economic recovery", will keep up the pressure to hold costs down and by implication to be cautious about recruiting

We shall not know who is

right until output recovers in earnest. But no one is suggesting that last year's productivity gains can be repeated. Over the next few

months, as job losses con-

tinue while output picks up, productivity is likely to go on

rising, though at a lower pace. But in the longer term

even believers in miracles

cannot expect sustained productivity growth above European levels between 3

This alone would be twice

as good as Britain's perform-

and 4 per cent a year.

BUSINESS NEWS/FOCUS AND COMMENT

APPOINTMENTS

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COMMODITIES

Printer Group



Workers WM.

a say

However, the so-cause to-determination. Committees will not have any veto over employer's right to hire and fire, as unions demanded some years ago.

Japanese car registrations hit an all-time monthly high in March, going up 6.5 per cent from a year before to a total

 Japan does not intend to reduce its self-imposed ceil-ing on car exports to Canada this year, Mr Shintaro Abe, so, in anomion to the gain from a 10 per cent drop in sterling over the year, enabling us to claw back perhaps a quarter of the 50 per cent loss of competitive. the International Trade and Industry Minister, announced yesterday. He said he would recommend that exports be kept to the 1981

AUSTRALIA

Employment in Australia fel in February, reversing the previous 12 months' trend, according to seasonally ad-justed estimates issued by selves into lobs in inter-the Statistics Bureau. The national markets. bureau said civilian employbureau said civilian employment (seasonally adjusted) ed? And even if it is, will fell to 6,412,800 in February, down 5,000 or 0.1 per cent from January. In February last year, employment increased by 23,100 or 0.4 per 82 wage round are averaging down 5,000 or 0.1 per cent from January. In Pehruary last year, employment increased by 23,100 or 0.4 per cent.

Despite the fall from January, employment in the latest month remained at 76,600 or 1.2 per cent higher.

Britain reap the benefits?

On wages, the signals are unimpressive if not alarming, pay settlements in the 1981-accent. The most internationally exposed sector of the economy.

76,600 or 1.2 per cent higher than a year earlier.

Mr. Nils Asling, Swedish Industry Minister, who is touring Western Australia's mining operation areas, urged Australian companies to invest in Sweden to force their way into the European

UNITED STATES

International coal shipments will more than double in the 1980s — from 192 million tonnes in 1980 to 425 million tonnes by 1990, according to National Economic Research Associates, an American firm of consulting economists. It predicted that coal imported by Europe will rise by 1 per cent a year above the general rate of inflation between 1985

WEST GERMANY

West German crude steel production totalled 3.88 million metric tons in March, up 11.3 per cent from February. Pig iron output rose 12.1 per cent to 3.82 million tonnes.

West German crude steen production rose 3.1 per cent in the first quarter of 1982 over the same year ago period to 10.76 million tennes, the regional bureau of the federal statistics office said in Dusseldorf.

• The West German manufacturing industry index of incoming orders fell by a provisional 1.9 per cent seasonally adjusted in Feb-ruary, after being unchanged in January.

FRANCE

ETPM, a subsidiary of the French Vallourec steel pipe group, has been awarded a by the Norwegian state oil company Statoil to lay a pipeline in the North Sea. It is one of the biggest orders

BELGIUM

Belgium unemployment at the end of March remained at a record high of 10.9 per cent. The only big change was a decline of 2,000 in the number of young jobless.

The trade deficit of the Belgo-Luxembourg Economic Union widened sharply in January to a provisional Bel Fr 30,800m from Bel Fr 1,800m in December, the national institute of statistics reported in Brussels, January marked a worsening of the economic union's trading position, which had improved in the end of last year after a record deficit of Bel Fr 51,600m was recorded in

UGANDA

Uganda will request the potential donors at a World Bank meeting in Paris on May 17 for help in its \$600m (about £327m) recovery plan.
"We are telling the international community belp us now. If you do, in two years we will be on the other side of the counter'," Mr Eph-Kumuntu,

Kampala yesterday.

Frances Williams assesses our competitiveness

The international race Britain cannot win

Last year witnessed a rate if not unique event in recent. British economic history. We managed, in a small way, to improve our international competitive position by direct of our own domestic labours. expected to pick up quite began unusually in the cycle, sharply later this year; that when output was still falling, unemployment is likely to This, plus anecdotal evidence stabilize or rise yeary slowly, about new attitudes and reducing workers fear of working practicies on the redundancy; and that compassions about new attitudes and redundancy; and that compassions are described. The Swedish employers as sociation, the Swedish Labour Federation and white-collar unions have reached on a companies. The employees will also have a voice in the adoption of new technology, organization of work plans and economic decisions.

However, the so-called codetermination committees redundancy; and that commany profits are preducted to increase rapidly by anything between 20 and 30 per cent in 1982 with similar improvement in 1983.

All tasse factors are likely to encourage workers to the 1970s.

Others take the view that

The result will have been

to boost British competitive-ness by perhaps 2 per cent or so, in addition to the gain

ness suffered during 1979

Government ministers are

losing no opportunity to reiterate their message that continued low pay settlements and greater productivity are essential if

Will that message be heed-

and 1980.

to encourage workers to press for higher pay to compensate for the drop in living standards over the past year or so.

Information collected by

of only 2½ per cent, Britain's best performance since the mid-1960s when wage costs actually fell. This compares with a rise of 2,5 per cent in the year to mid-1980. By contrast, the latest international comparisons show unit wage costs rising at a yearly rate of 3 per cent in Japan, 4 per cent in the United States and 14 per cent in France. Incomes Data Services, a private company which moni-tors pay, reveals that a few companies, in better financial shape than last year, have agreed to somewhat higher may deals this time around. Though companies may be disinclined to be generous on wages — the higher profits

4 Most economic forecasters believe the next pay round will see a higher level of settlements, perhaps of

round 9 to 10 per cent 3 rwill not be enough to finance stockbuilding and more in-vestment, let alone high pay settlements — they may find-

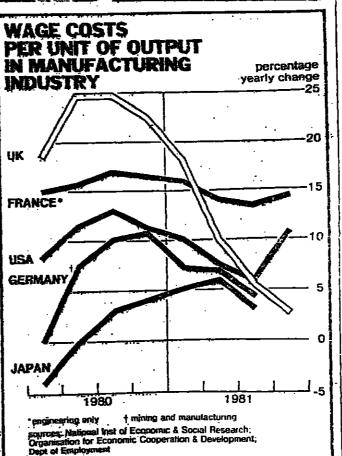
it hard to resist workers claims for some modest relaxation. If economic recovery persists in subsequent years, the pressures on pay are certain to grow stronger. The Government, not sur-The Government, not sur-prisingly, is taking a more optimistic line. Treasury economists, who expect that inflation will be into single figures shortly and could fall to 7½ per cent by the middle of next year, believe that workers are unlikely to get pay rises significantly above The index of competitive-ness used measures the rise in labour costs per unit of output in this country com-pared with our competitors, expressed in a common the inflation rate. (In the present round and the last, wage, deals have averaged

rise in prices.)
Some small rise in earnings expressed in a common some small rise in earnings next year would not upset the improvement in competitiveness if it could be correctly previous pay round, despite steadily climbing unemployment and continued depressed output.

The majority of economic forecasters believe that the next pay round will see a per person hour by over 8 next pay round will see a per person hour by over a per person hour by over a per cent to surpass the peak perhaps of about 9-10 per cent to surpass the peak levels reached before the cent. This would have earnings growing at 10 to 12 per of 1979.

about 3 per cent below the

This is a bigger rise than The forecasters point out experience of past recessions that industrial output is would have suggested and it



% change	UK	US	Japan	France	Germany
Unit wage costs 1975-1980	59	36	0	45	17
Latest quarter 1980-81	2.6	10.8	2.9	14.4	4.2
Output per person- hour 1975-80	7	15	42	31	16
Latest quarter 1980-81	. 8.3	4.4	4.3	-4.6	3.5

as good as Britain's performance over the past few years.

Another problem area is the scene abroad. Britain can only improve her competitive position without recourse to devaluation if her unit labour costs are rising more slowly than those of international rivals. costs elsewhere has thus not decelerated as dramatically as in Britain. But economic recovery, which will be boosted by the recent drep in oil prices, means that productivity is beginning to improve in most countries. Last year she may have succeeded. But there are signs that in other countries Even if it only gets back on trend — and it should do better than that in the early too the rise in labour costs may be slowing down.

Over the past year or so recession, as in Britain, has tended to inhibit the growth of 2½ per cent a year of earnings. (France, which is trying to reflate its accompany is a clear except.

tion.) But recession has also slowed the growth of productivity, reflecting the usual pattern in which productivity falls and rises with output. The reason is that output is normally cut more cuickly. All this serves to demonstrate how fast Britain has international race for competing their hands alone. To do titiveness. If our main tradsocial proves a recipe for ing partners, with their disappointment and recalcinormally cut more quickly than jobs. better productivity records trance.

The increase in unit labour and, on the whole, historically lower pay settlements, succeed in reducing growth in unit labour costs over the coming year Britain's modest advantage gained so painfully over recent months will quickly disappear.

There is no alternative to some futher depreciation of sterling if the Government wishes to improve significantly the competitiveness of British industry. This does not mean that containing unit labour costs is unimportant. It reduces the need for devaluation and dampens its inflationary impact.

not pretend to British workers that the achievement of greater competitiveness lies

Business Editor

The pressure stays on

For those who have been advocating a lower exchange rate, sterling below \$1.75 and heading fast for DM4.20 may seem like a reasonable start. But even if they were happy with a small devaluation, I rather doubt that the authorities are inclined to see silver linings on the present foreign exchange clouds. Indeed, the far more pressing thought must be

how to arrest a much more serious run on the pound should it show signs of developing in the days and weeks ahead. Money market rates have been relatively slow to respond - largely thanks to a generous supply of liquidity from the Bank though period rates were notably firmer yesterday notativ firmer vesterday and bill dealing rates clearly reflected nervousness on the part of the houses given that the forecast shortage was no more than £50m. Presumably, the Bank will want to hold off taking interest rate action as long as possible. But if it chooses to play it that way. then action when it does come will almost certainly have to be of the crisis rather than the tinkering

variety. tronically, yesterday's preliminary estimate of a March money supply (sterling M3) rise of only 1/4 per yesterday's cent was better than gener-

aliv expected.
Although domestic money supply developments are hardly likely to be a major factor in foreign exchange market thinking at ther moment, the figures are in any case not necessarily as good as they look. Without the benefit of the

collection of a further £1,000m of back tax, ster-ling M3 might well bave grown by closer to 1 per cent, Bank lending to the

private sector is once again the villian of the piece, probably rising by at least £2,000m. The London clearers estimate the underlying increase in their lending at £1,600m-£1,700m. But that will represent some movement by borrowers out of market borrowing back into overdrafts; and the Bank's own massive purchases of commercial bills may well be offset by a large fall in discount house balance sheets and non-bank holdings of bills.

Hammerson Tidying up

The wish to tidy up the by Hammerson Property and Investment Trust chair-man Mr Sydney Mason for asking shareholdersto dig into their pockets for £70.5m. The bulk (£55.9m) of cash from the 3 for 10 rights issue is being used to buy out minority interests in some of the group's properties, incuding the Brent Cross shopping cen-tre. The remainder is earmarked for extending Hammerson's Bow Valley Square development in Calgary, Canada.

For the year to December the group's gross rental incoem was £50.8m, up a quarter, and the Mitre House and Brent Cross deals should be worth and discount for the should be worth and discount for the should be should be worth and the should be should be worth and the should be shou additional E3m in revenue. Pre-tax profits last year were up by almost a half at just over £15m.

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600p and 585p respectively, the group is capitalized at Estimated net asset value

per share pre-issue is put at about 800p. Following the issue, this is likely to be diluted to about 725p. though some brokers are forecasting a net asset value of 760p from the resulting

of 760p from the resulting marriage values.

Mr Mason is at long last complying with the new accounting standard for property investment companies and is undertaking an internal revaluation of the group portfolio this year with a promise that an independent valuation will be conducted within the next five years. This may finally end the estimates of the company's true worth the company's true worth which have been floating around the market for

Bowater Asset backing

Bowater has bettered mar-Bowater has bettered market forecasts of £180m pretax profits for 1981, turning in £106.7m. The group's share price also bucked the market's downward trend, rising 1p to 239p despite the failure to increase the year's dividend from 16.42p gross. But behind the apparent gloss, the figures are not wildly behind the apparent gloss, the figures are not wildly encouraging and seem to point towards barely inproved profitability in the present year. A prime factor in the profits iraprovement — up from £85 m last time — is the favourable sterling/dollar exchange rate. change rate.

North American paper and pulp continues to contribute the major part of the group's profits and its asset backing for the share.

asset backing for the share.
Bowater expects it to go on doing so for the forseeable future, but two major problems are looming.
The slow-down of the United States economy and renegotiation of Canadian labour contracts in the present year — traditionally a tough proposition — have acted as antidotes to entitles to the state of t 1982 prospects. Newsprint operations

which account for between 35 and 40 per cent of group trading profits - are said to he holding up well, with the main problem one of overcapacity rather than poor demand. Newsprint stocks are however understood to be around double their normal level. The pulp operations are near the bottom of the cycle, and the hope is that demand should begin to improve by the end of the year, depending on

the strength of an economic recovery. As for the United Kingdom operations, 1982 may be slightly less descourage ing. Last year the profitabi-lity of British and European sector fell by £6m, but 1981's rationalization exercise should reduce costs.
About £7m went

cutting back the size of the workforce; and Heavy lossmaker were also disposed of. But trading is still bumping along the bottom with no sign of sustained

recovery.

A yield of 6.9 per cent is hardly exciting without speculative takeover support. Current cost share-holders' funds of £819m make Bowater a large lump The market shuddered slightly on yesterday's rights news, and with the ordinary and "A" closing at make Bowater a large lump to swallow - but them the current market value of the group is a rather more modest £375m.

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Airing grievances, dispelling rumours

AT WORK: INDUSTRIAL DEMOCRACY

cent over the year.

By Rupert Morris

Enthusiasm for worker par-ncipation — or industrial democracy, if you prefer— has been at best sporadic since the Bullock Report sank amid widespread recriminations in 1977. The Post Office's decision to scrap its worker director scheme two years ago was a Old-fashioned

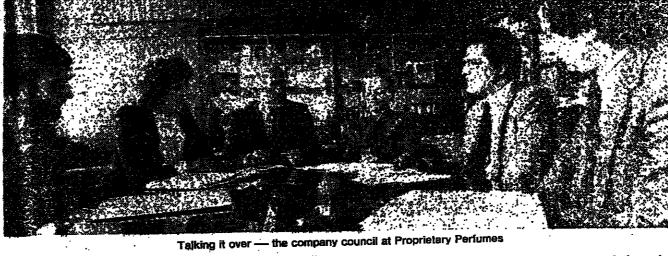
ments and trade unions suspicious of schemes that smell of collaboration have combined to prevent isolated initiatives leading to any general move toward greater

leum, which claims a by per cent response to its offer of two shares for the price of one to any employee with more than four years' ser-vice. But other large firms, such as GEC, are opposed to such as Genes, arguing that it is virtually impossible to relate individual employees' performance to the company's share value and that consequently approved consequently employee shareholding schemes pro-vide no real productivity incentive.

At a more modest level however, there is a form of worker participation which has grown out of Bullock and been adopted by a sprinkling of medium-sized firms with some success. It is the company council.

Proprietary Perfumes (PPL) of Ashford, Kent, a subsidiary of Unilever, introduced such a company coun-cil in 1976. There was no pressure for trade union recognition, and industrial relations were calm. They have remained so ever since and Mr Geoffrey Roberts, PPL chairman, has been able to spread the word about

know how much of the good the constitution, can discuss ment had been a case in



relations that seem to reign at PPL are attributable to the existence of the company council. But PPL is indispu-Among the isolated successes have been profit-sharing schemes like the one ing company — its turnover sharing schemes like the one ing company — its turnover operated by British Petrolast year was £57m — which leum, which claims a 60 per has never had any work cent response to its offer of two shares for the price of one to any employee with

The council's constitution, which runs to six foolscap pages, deals at length with consultation. But it rapidly becomes clear that the prime object is communication. PPL's work force has shown little inclination to take an active part in management active part in management policy making.

Mr Roberts said: "We needed to make sure that people felt involved in what people felt involved in what was happening, at all grades, both management and non-management. It's like a family, where you know that if you stop talking to each other you are in trouble." The employees take it very

seriously. Their representa-Perfumes tives are elected from the various divisions — per-fumery, works, research and development, commercial and marketing - to serve on the council for two years. The level of voting is high, with 85 per cent taking part. Candidates and their supporters make posters rosettes which clutter the factory at election times.

In spite of all the democratic paraphernalia, how-eyer, it is an essentially paternalistc system. Mr Roberts did not like that particular word but admitted that the degree of consul-tation depanded entirely on how much he, as chairman of the company and of the council, was prepared to divulge.

Conversations with Mr Roberts and three other members of the council did not reveal many major devel-opments which had been inspired by the council, apart from the establishment of a dental centre on site. Canteen facilities, car parks, rest rooms and other practical matters were among the most common items for discussion_

often presented to the council as faits accomplis. "But at least we'll know why," said Andrew Attfield, the compa-

member for the compounding Mr Church said the coun-

mr Church sain the countries of the management taking occasional wrong decisions which could, with consultation, have been avoided. The installation of a particular of a part to spread the word about factory at election times.

The eight-strong council to his occasionally envious colleagues on the CBI kent with monthly meetings of this years chairman.

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budgets, balance sheets, in-vestment trends, sales, mar-keting and manpower. point, he said. But council members agreed that though it had its faults, the council did provide a forum for the airing of grievances, the dispelling of rumours and for general discussion which made an important contri-bution to morale.

Next month PPL will be integrated with the flavours and fragrances division of its parent company. The council will continue to operate at the Ashford site. Surveys of company coun-

cils and other forms of industrial democracy have been unable to show any clear trends. The British Institute of Management, for instance, produced a survey last year in which 93 per cent of responding firms claimed to have established, or to be establishing, worker participation. The CBI though produced

Major policy decisions are a more comprehensive report ten presented to the coun- on 413 companies which as faits accomplis. "But at employed a total of more than three million people. ny accountant and a council
member.
"I think the chairman
would be a fool to tell us the
whole truth all the time,"
said John Church, council
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But last month, in the week after Sir Raymond Pennock, CBI President, argued in the columns of The

based on an independent survey of the employees of the same 413 companies which showed more than half the workforce felt their managements had become less secretive and more inclined to consultation. Only 29 per cent said there had been no improvement.

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CLORE ESTATE

Verdict expected

The fate of one of Britain's largest private fortunes — the estimated £40m estate of the late Sir Charles Clore — will be known tomorrow when the Court of Appeal hands down

it's judgment.
The Court will give its verdict on an Inland Revenue appeal that it should be allowed to recover tax totalling between £29m and £39m the Clore estate. Specifically the Revenue wants authority to serve legal proceedings on Stype Investments (Jersey), a company controlled by a Jersey-based settlement set up by Sir Charles before his death. Stype remoned substantial parts of the Clore estate from Britain to Jersey, and there out of the Inland Rev-enue's jurisdiction.

But even if the Revenue wins the legal arguments, officials privately concede that they face severe difficulties in actually getting access to the Clore estate's funds, since Jersey jealously guards its tax haven status.



The late Sir Charles Clore

Sir Charles, who died in England in July 1979, was reputedly Britain's richest man'. Two years before his death he began transferring his assets out of the United Stype Investments (Jersey), and shortly after his death

are not enough to pay the total tax bill. Another £15m worth of English-based assets belonging to Stype Invest-ments have been frozen by a court injunction.

In the earlier High Court hearing, the Revenue claim that Stype Investments had "inter-meddled" in the Clore estate was rejected.

This week's judgment is unlikely to be the end of the matter. The size of the sums possibility that whichever ide loses on Wednesday will take the case to the House of

HIGGS AND HILL

Turnover up

Completion of a number of major contracts helped Higgs Hill, the international construction and property group, to raise taxable profits by 73 per cent to £4.64m in the year to December.

This was comfortably above the forecast made by

Mr Edwin Phillips, chairman. at the half-year, that the second half would be comparable to the first, when profits were up from £802,000 to £1.54m pre-tax.

Turnover for the year rose from £122m to £127m, and total distributions for the year are up 35 per cent with a 5.68p gross fonal making 9.23p per share against 6.86p. In its United Kingdom construction business the chairman says that after enjoying another good year, the intake of new work was more than satisfactory in the

present market, providing a healthy workload for 1982. Overseas the Cairo Plaza proinct in now nearing completion, and could make a contribution in the current year, while in Trinidad the group's performance continues to be satisfactory.

Property trading activities were hit by lack of tenant depend by the group plant.

demand, but the group plans further developments, includ-Kingdom. In 1978 he sold ing a 70,000 sq ft warehouse shares worth £13m and development at West Draytransferred the proceeds out ton, London, and a subof the country. Two months stantial office scheme at before he died he conveyed Brighton, which might be his Herefordshire estate to retained as and investment. Its European property division faced similar problems cent in 1980 and 8 per cent in of lack of demand, but 1979. the estate was sold for of lack of demand, but 1979. E20.5m and the proceeds development continued on its A revolution of the group's



Edwin Phillips

Househuilding suffered the slump in demand in the second half, but is stepping up output from less than 200 homes last year, and has a land bank sufficient for two year's work. There were now signs of improving demand. In line with the rest of the stock market, Higgs and Hill shares shed 10p to 147p where they yield 6.3 per cent.

REED EXECUTIVE

Dividend passed

Reed Executive, the employment agency group, made a pretax loss of £1.65m in the 53 weeks to January 2 against a £249,000 profit and is passing its final dividend, for the second year in

succession. But it repesents some improvement after first half losses of £954,000 pretax and Mr Alec Reed, chairman, said the prospects for 1982 were decidedly more promising than at this time last year.

He added that while the group would incur a loss in

the first half, this should be offset by a profit in the second half. Turnover slipped from £35.64m to £33.19m. There was a first half distribution of 0.14p per share gross, against 2.13p.

improvement from the group's 30 Medicare drugstores, where losses were cut from £382,000 to £105,000, of which £57,000 was pre-opening expenses. Operating losses were only 0.8 per cent

There was a continued

SENIOR ENG

Bright outlook

Senior Engineering, the Watford-based engineering product trader, has staged some recovery in the second half of the year to December 1981 with pretax profits down only £1m from £5.09m to from \$423m. £4.01m.

At the half year profits fell dramatically from £3.03m to £1.4m on sales down £7.2m at £31.8m. Sales for the full year also recovered — to £68.5m against £79:05m last and £18m) respectively.

At the trading level profits are down from £6.01m to £4.6m, but a fall in exceptional charges - from £299,000 to £266,000 and a drop in the interest charge by almost half to £389,000 — helped the pretax figure.

During 1981, the group's Thermal and Steel Tube divisions suffered the biggest problems of the recession, the company says. But the improved results, which are largely in line with forecasts. are due to some extent to prompt action to reorganize certain parts, the company

says. Senior, whose chairman is Professor Roland Smith, now says it has stronger resources than last year and expécts improvements in profitability to show through this year. "But margins remain under severe pressure and

business is far fron buoy-

ant", it says.
The market yeaterday took account of the improved second half performance and marked the shares up 1p to 26p against the trend. A final dividend of 1.07p gross, making a total payout of 2.14p gross is the same as last year, but represents an increase following last June's placing of 10.5m 10p shares.



OVERSEAS COMPANIES

Fokker, the Netherlands aircraft manufacturer, reported a 10 per cent earnings increase for 1981 on a 15 per cent rise in sales. Net

income climbed to the equivalent of \$4.1m (£2.3m) year from £3.7m. Sales jumped to \$485.3m

Great Atlantic Pacific Tea, of New Jewsey, said it expects to report a nel loss - exclusive of a revitalization programme and pension plan items — for the fourth quarter and fiscal year of about £2.9m and £31.6m (£1.65m

CAPITAL MARKETS

Price of four seasoned Euromark Bonds for Argentina plunged in heavy selling in Frankfurt yesterday, dealers said. They added that the issues, for a tital of added that the issues, for a that of DM550m, had lost 2 points or more in yesterday's trading and more than 4 points since the crisis with Britain over the Falkland Islands started on friday.

Argentina's most recent issue, a and prest in the form band launched

10-year, DM150m bond launched in 1979 with a coupon of 7.5 per cent was trading around 76%, down over 3 points from its price

own over 3 points from its price late last week and compared to the 1979 pricing of 98.5.

Other bonds, all for the Argentine state, include a seven-year, DM 100m issue with a 7.5 per cent coupon priced at 99.5 in 1977, a seven-year, DM 150m, 10 pear lesses with a 5.5 per cent year issue with a 6.5 per cent coupon priced at 99 in 1978.

A 10-year, DM 150m Eurobond for the Interamerican Development Bank-ladb was launched yesterday with a 9 per cent coupon and a pricing at 99.5 per cent, according to lead manager Deutsche Bank. Frankfurt traders said the

conditions would bring a yield of 9.08 per cent, which mirrors present market conditions. The new bonds entered a mark-denominated Eurobond market that was considerably calmer from previous days. Dealers said market participants were seen holding present positions in view

BIDS AND DEALS

Singer has completed sale of its air condition and heating equipment division to Snyder General Corp.

Proceeds with be applied to

replace funds used to purchase, in

Mr William F. Smith Jr. president and chief executive officer of Pabst Brewing, said the American company returned to profitability in the first quarter lespite an unusually cold winter

and other adverse factors. The takeover of a 12 per cent stake in Agricola Finanziaria, carried out on the Milan stock market last Friday, was rumoured to be part of the recent agreement between the Italian Ferruzzi group

and France's Compagnie Sucres et Denrees. Losses among the United States federally insured Savings and Loan Associations amounted to a record \$4,600m (£2,628m) in

1981 and could widen to \$6,000m this year, Federal officials esti-

of the impending four-day Easte holiday, when West Germa markets are closed.

The Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia (CTB) and Manufacturers Hanover Trust will lead manage a SAus350m funding to finance an Australian communi-cations satellite, banking sources said.

Eurodollar bond prices were irregularly firm yesterday morning as a syndicate led by Morgas Guaranty and Societe Generals launched a \$100m, six-yea floating-rate note issue with warrants for SNCF, the French reilways.

The SNCF issue, which is guaranteed by the French Government, pays interest quarterly at the London Interbank offered rate Each note carries a one-yes warrant to purchase a like amount of 14.25 per cent, eight-ye SNCF notes at par.

A two-part note offering to Campbell Soup reportedly so out in one day despite aggressin terms. The offering consists of \$50m, seven-year note issue par bearing 14 per cent and \$200m, 10-year zero coupe issue at 27 to yield 13.99 p

Elsewhere, a \$150m, 15-ye issue of Aetna Life and Casual was quoted at 99.5 to 99.75 grey market trading, indicating warm reception. The issue pa 15 per cent 1986 when a new rawill be set.

significant impact on its income for 1982. The balance of the consid satisfied by the issue of 1,843,0 new ordinary in BCI

A circular from Brent Che als International giving detail the proposed acquis

WALL STREET

New York, April 6. — Share ices were mixed in moderate ading at the opening of the New ork Stock Exchange today. The Dow Jones Industrial lerage was up by 0.48 of a point 9835.80 shortly after the market greed.

pened.
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113 issues crossing the tape.

Early NYSE turnover reached bout 3.1m shares. Prices were higher in moderate rading on American Stock xchange.

Analysts said the market may ontinue its search for direction llowing its recent advances. Uncertainty, about the course of interest rates, the duration of he recession and President Reagan's Budget deficits have and a dampening influence on ally attempts.

Share prices later turned lower a snowstorm blanketing the

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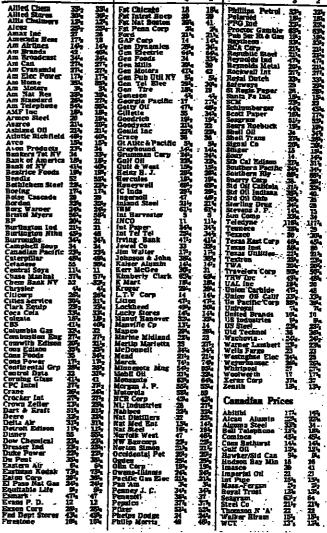
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Prices were slightly higher in moderate trading of American

Stock Exchange issues.

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FOOTBALL

By Stuart Jones Pootball Correspondent

Tony Barton, appointed as manager of Aston Villa last week, takes his side into the semi-final of the European Cup against copponents that he watched last Sucday. For the first leg against Anderlecht at Villa Park, a capacity crowd of 48,000 and record receipts of 5520,000 are expected.

Mr Barton knows what to expect. He saw Anderlecht, Currently second in the Belgian League, go down 1-0 to their rivals, one place below them, in a match that was played in a "competitive atmosphere." Villa knew virtually nothing about Dynamo Kiev before they met them in the last round.

"Anderlecht are strong defen-sively," Mr Barton said. "They play five at the back and are looking to pull the opposition forward before breaking quick-"." To combat the system, stroduced by Tomislav Ivic. Villa have spent the last two days practising against their reserves, instructed to perform in a similar

Mr Barton picked out Lozano,
Spaniard in midfield, as
Anderlecht's key figure. He will
be marked by Mortimer, who
dislocted his elbow in the final
minute against Kiev and is still
not completely fit. Bremoer,
injured in the same game and
absent for the last three games,
is though and Villa are at full
strength. strength.

The emphasis is not so much

on the ideal of taking a substantial lead, more in the realistic approach of preventing Anderlecht from scoring. It was. Antersect from scoring, it was, after all, Villa's performances in East Germany and in the Soviet Union that took them through to the last four and with the opportunity of extending England's hold of the trophy to six

Unlucky Hill out again

England introduce five newcomers for today's European
under-21 championship quarterfinal game with Poland at Upton
Park — but there is still no first
cap for Luton midfielder Ricky
Hill.
Hill was released by Luton
first-leg in Warsaw three weeks

first-leg in Warsaw three weeks
ago, even though the Second
Division pacemakers had a
fixture with Barosley that night.
But a crop of injuries at the club forced him to pull out and play in the promotion game. Now an the promotion game. Now an ankle injury has ruled him out of

matches over the Easter week-end, so it was felt that Hill's ankle should not be risked. It is unfortunate for the lad", said ::nder-21 team manager Dave

Sexton.

Hill's misfortune lets in another colooured midfielder.

Arsenal's Paul Davis, who wins his first cap together with Andy Peake (Leicester), Andy Ritchie (Brighton). Mark Hateley (Covendant County Property Covendant County Property Covendant County Property Covendant County Property County Property County Property County Property County County Property County Cou try, and Gary Bannister Sheffield Wedmesday). **RUGBY LEAGUE**

defeat at Ipswich and in the mented: "The line-up will prob-victory over West Bromwich ably be chaosen not by me but by Albion. They flew into Birming-the doctor." ham yesterday and reported dubts about a defender, de Groote, and a striker, Larsen. CSKA Sofia, Liverpooi's conquerors in the last round, have much

ASTON YILLA: J Rimmer, K Swain, G Williams, A Evans, K McNeught, D Mortimer, D Bremner, G Shew, P Withs, G Cowans, A Mortey, Subs. N Spink, P Heard, K Geddis, T Bullivant, M Jones. rors in the last round, have much more serious doubts about their difficult semi-final at home to Bayern Munich. Four of their players were injured in a Bulgarian League match at the players and their players were injured in a Bulgarian League match at the players and their players. Jovanie, Verzelent, Christians, Ch

carrasco, deputy for Quini. Knee injuries keep out both Quini. Spain's top League scorer with 23 goals, and Schuster. Their absences notwithstand-

formidable opponents that Tot-tenham will do well in their 41st

match of the season to secure the 2—0 lead they hope to take with them to Barcelona for the second

If not, they realise that their chances of making a second visit

to Barcelona's magnificent stadium, Campo Nuevo, scene of the final on May 22, will be

Perryonan HUISPUSS H Clemence; S Perryonan, P Miller, P Price, C Hughton; G Hoddle, M Hazard, G Roberts; G Crooks, R Villa, A Gelvin, Subs: M Aleksic, C Jones, J Lary, G Brooks, I Crook, EARCELOMA (probable): Artola; Senchez, Otno, Victor, Manolo, Alexanko, Simonsen, Esteban, Currasco, Estella, Moran.

weekend and their manager,
Nikokimov. com-

Ardiles ghost lingers Locomotive Leipzig (after a three-nil away win), Barcelona have lost their last three league games, conceding three goals on each occasion to have their League leadership reduced from six points to one

By Nicholas Harling

The poignant timing of the departure of Osvaldo Ardiles to Argentina and the possible repercussions surrounding the return of his compatriot Ricardo Villa to Tottenham Hotspur's team at White Hart Lane tonight have cast an unwanted shadow over the first leg of the European Cup Winners' Cup semi-final against Barcelona. six points to one.

The Spaniards are likely to stick to their ususal formation, however, of three markers plus the "sweeper" Alesanco at the the 'sweeper' Alesanco at the back, and three in midfield, doubtless reinforced whenever the need arises by the three in attack, the electrifying Simonsen and Moran, who will be flanking

against Barcelona.

All publicity might be good publicity according to most football managers but Keith Burkinshaw was scarcely adhering to that adage as he prepared his team for what will doubtless in any case be a tumultuous

Since Villa, as Mr Burkinshaw confirmed, is a man more about football than politics, the bearded Argentine, who takes the place of the suspended Archibald, will hopefully be more concerned with scoring goals. than with the overtones. "He's big enough to contend with it", the manager said, "I've got to play him."

Now did Mr Rurkinshaw have Nor did Mr Burkinshaw have

any compunction about filling the midfield vacancy caused by Ardiles with Graham Roberts once his most versatile player had passed a fitness test on the Anderlecht, who have appeared in four European final in the last dozen years, will be nothing if not experienced. They themselves had Villa watched in the injured groin that forced him to miss the last few minutes of Saturday's FA Cup semi-final.

Scotland sign police chief for World Cup

side, captains the team again, although Tommy Caton would appear to be the closest to a place in the senior squas for the forthcoming World Cup.

Peake's part in Leicester's cup Scottish Football Association's against hooliganism by sup-porters at the World Cup finals in Spain has been run is recognised by his inclusion, while Bannister's 17 goals have been a key factor in Sheffield Wednesday's Third Division promotion drive. reinforced by a former police chief. The interest of the Scottish

Ritchie's ten-goal total for Brighton, and Hateley's 12 for Coventry give the side an in-form fans there will be carefully monitored by John Little, the recently retired chief con-stable of Tayside, who has look in terms of scoring.

"The tie is far from over simply because we won the awayleg. The Poles looked a good allround side, a dangerous side and capable of playing quick one-twose that can cause defenders. been given the new post of security liaison officer for the SFA for Spain. twos that can cause defenders

yesterday: "This appointment is to safeguard our interests and the interests of the

flourish trom

Swansea

West Brom.....

John Toshack, the Swanses manager, was unwilling to shuffle many cards even after gaining only one point from the last three home games. His changes were limited to the recall of his promising right back, Marustik, and the relegation to the substitutes, bench of his enigmatic striker, Leighton James, who did not make much impression in defeats by West Ham and Ipswich which have cast

Albion fielding 10 of the 11 who finished Saturday's FA Cup semi-final persevered with their £250,000 Dutch signing, Zonder-£250,000 Dutch signing, Zondervan, who has managed to pick up four cautions in five games.

Swansea's inevitable opening onslaught was generated more by desperate energy than craft. Grew made good saves from a Kennedy header and a Stanley free kick and he picked up by the post a quick shot from Robbie James. But Swansea lacked the cuting edge and their only senuine chance fell to James, but

genuine chance fell to James, but he headed a pinpoint centre from Curtis wide of a post. It was 20 minutes before West Bromwich reached Swansea's penalty area and then Regisoutjumped Stevenson to remind the Welsh supporters, by now slow-handclapping, that there might be menace lurking somewhere in this drab spectacle. Statham made two commendable Statham made two commendable crosses, which were followed by a caution on him for a foul tackle a caution on him for a four tackle against Irwin. But all was forgiven, and the Vetch was drowned in despair, when West Bromwich took on the lead on half-time: Mackenzie was the scorer, slipping the ball wide of

But their pressure was rewarded in the 58th minute with a shot from Marustik, who had picked up a loose ball on the edge of the area. The goal was set up by Stanley, but he was immedi-ately despatched in favour of Leighton James, Mr Toshack no doubt considering this a suitable psychological moment to unleash his sleepy Welsh dragon.

Davies after a strong dribble through the centre from Cross.

SWANSEA CITY: D Davies; C Marustik, Hadzlabdic, C Irwin, R Kennedy, A Rejković Curlia, R James, G Stanley, N Stevenson, Latchford. Latchford.
WEST BROWWICH ALBION: M Graw,
Arthur, D Stuthem, M Bennett, J Wile,
Substantian R Zondervan, N Cross, C Regis

Mr Little, who was awarded the Queen's Police Medal in 1979, will begin work in Malaga almost immediately. The SFA's secretary, Ernie Walker, said vectordary (This awards) was awarded the Queen's Police Walker, said was awarded the Queen's Police Walker, said was awarded to the Cup, semi-final replay: Scottish Cup, semi-final Rangers 3, Forfar Athletic 1.

BOXING

Australia alter dates

SQUASH RACKETS

Jahangir is within a

match of his destiny

Jahangir Khan, the world champion who appears destined to win the British Open championships, sponsored by Audi, at Bromley for the first time tomorrow, moved within one match of doing so yesterday. He beat his Pakistani countryman Ummar Zaman, the 1975 champion who is probably his closest cival now that injury has forced the holder Geoff Hunt into a spectator's seat in the circle.

The score was 9-5. 9-5. 9-1. The score was 9-5. 9-6. 9-1. The score was 9-5. 9-1. The score was 9-5. 9-6. 9-1. The score was 9-5. 9-1. The score was 9-5. 9-1. The score was 9-6. 9-1. The score was 9

By Keith Macklin

Alterations to the dates of the second and third international matches against Australia next winter have been forced by "an eleventh hour demand from Australia for an extra week in Britain." announced the public relations officer of the Rugby League, David Howes, yesterday. Howes added that the request had created a conflict with agreed television schedules, and

The second international, orig-The second international, originally scheduled for Sunday, November 14, will be played on the following Saturday at Wigan. The third international at Headingley will be played on Sunday, or the third international at Headingley will be played on Sunday, or the tourists will be previous day. The tourists will previous day. The tourists will have just one club game between the second and third inter-

the holder Geoff Hunt into a spectator's seat in the circle. The score was 9-5, 9-5, 9-1. Mohibullab Khan, the unrelated Pakistani who took fifteen points from Jahangir in the first round, has so far been his most successful opponent. Zaman's tally of 11 was equalled by Ross Norman, the New Zealander, and the meagre total be has conceded in five matches so far has been 52

points. Statistics in this case tell no lies but indicate clearly how far the 18-year-old has

Furthermore, Jahangir beat

Za:aaa, who was playing not much less than at his best, and

with a great deal more resolution

tion he sometimes shows. The

second game, in which Zaman led 5-3 and appeared to be harrying Jahangir, took 37.

"Zaman tried to be patient. In

"Zaman tried to be patient. In fact, he played rather differently from usual," Hunt said. Hunt watched with a fidgetty feeling the men who have been his greatest rivals in recent years.

The match took a sudden turn at 5-4 in the second game after Jahangir had been struck on the mose by Zaman's racket and left the court, for two minutes.

the court for two minutes, mopping his face with his shirt. On resumption Zaman tried to take advantage of a cooler ball by playing a succession of drop shots and volleys cut short, but

nationals: at Widnes of Tuesday, November 23.

Talks between Rochdale Hornets and Rochdale FC about nets and Rochdale FC about possible ground sharing have been abandoned without a decision. Both clubs are in a direfinancial position, and ground sharing was seen as an answer to the problem. However, no the problem. However, no agreement has yet been reached on the football club using the Hornets' grounds, and Hornets will not consider moving to

Mick Burke, the Widnes fullback who has been troubled for two months with a back

reacused the rinal 9-4, 10-8, 9-0 at the expense of Angela Smith, the England No. 2. Not for the first time these two were involved in a whole series of distasteful

and between themselves and officials.

Mrs Cardwell once berated the marker for mispronouncing her name. Miss Smith once asked for a let and then said: "Good shot" and both players worked themselves up into such a state themselves up into such a state than it was always investible for them

was almost impossible for them to play properly

Mrs Cardwell is currently

banned for playing for Australia, and Miss Smith was once left out of a British tour of Australia

Yorkshire ban stays

Yorkshire Cricket Club mem-bers have voted overwhelmingly

bers have voted overwhelmingly in favour of the policy of using only players born in the county. The failure to win any of the four chief competitions since the 1960s led to a referendum among members, who were asked: "Do you wish to change the present policy of playing only Yorkshireborn cricketers?" Of the 5,032 total votes cast, 4,493 answered "No", 137 "Yes" and there were two abstentions. No less than 241 voters threatened to resign their

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injury, has not given up hope of regaining his place in the Widnes side to play Hull at Wembley on

campaign

Wallace lifts his sights

But there is no chance of it

England bid | Victory to

happening.

Supporters of Wallace, who, like Magri, won two ABA flyweight titles and boxed for Britain in the Olympic Games, claim that he is ready for a crack at Magri's European crown. The red-haired 21-year-old gave them fresh cause for delight at Bloomsbury, London, on Monday night when he stonned Irish Bloomsbury, London, on monday night when he stopped Irish flyweight champion Jimmy Car-son, of Belfast, in three rounds. Wallace's four fights to date have totalled less than ten rounds and again he looked the best recruit

Carson came to fight but was

HOCKEY

for repeat

England and Ireland, after winning both their matches at sunny Amerystwyth yesterday, will meet today to decide the

will meet today to decide the home counties schoolboys championships in the under-19 category. The same two teams came through last year in London where England won.

But yesterday's play was dominated by England, who are coached by England, who are

commated by England, who are coached by Bernie Cotton, a former England and Great Britain captain. They scored a total of 16 goals in two matches, beating Scotland 11-2 in the morning and Wales 5-1 in the afternoon.

afternoon. Ireland, who arrived here at

4am yesterday, because of engine trouble on the ferry, beat Wales 3-0 and later tore into a crumbling Scottish defence to

Technically England were the best of the four sides but it looked as if they had run into a spot of trouble against Wales, who began the afternoon march in great style with Palmer hitting a post and going almost as near with his next shot. But England soon exposed the limitations of the Welsh defence and led 2-1 at half-time, with Beechener and Soma Singh from a penalty stroke scoring for England and Sullivan for Wales, England having led 2-0.

After the interval there was

After the interval there was only one team in the picture and England increased their lead through Rothwell from a penalty stroke, Skinner and Swayne from

Horton, Empey and McDowell scored for Ireland against Wales.

scored for Ireland against Wales.
They dominated the secondhalf of their match against
Scotland, their scorers being
Megaw, McDowell, Smyrl, Malcolmson (2) and Boyce, who also
plays for Ireland at Rugby at
schoolboy level.

By Sydney Friskin

comprehensively beaten, making his first mistake when he tried to outbox Wallace and found

Keith Wallace, of Liverpool, himself manoeuvred onto some who has just four professional ferocious left hooks in the first fights behind him, would like to round. He landed a handsome fight Charlie Magri in his fifth, right-hand punch or two in the second round, but was then cut down by Wallace's pure class and fierce two-handed hitting.

for a count of eight in round three, this time with a right to show his versatility, and the fight was stopped one second from the end of the round.

The two are not likely to meet until Wallace is given an official nomination to challenge for the European title.

EQUESTRIANISM

Honey

Conteh injury: John Conteh's hopes of a comeback have been dashed. The 30-year-old former world light-heavyweight champion went to a private clinic recently and tests found an injury at the base of his skull.

course but Captain and Mrs Bill Peek, who inaugurated this event some 12 years ago and have organized it ever

since, have had to abandon

two meetings in recent years due to the wet weather. On Monday night the rain pelted

down for some eight hours,

down for some eight hours, but the programme was not curtailed and it finished remarkably well to time.

Midland Bank Open Internediate Class: 1, R Boses's Sea Creature (Mass J Money), 58; 3 Team Washam Springer, Delphy Dazzie, 70, Novice Section 1: 1, Miss I, Machinosh's Spring Samon, 48; 2, Mass I, Anderson's Sundown if (R Lucas), 49; 3, Miss J Roper's Lawrock, 51, Saction B: 1, D Balker's Dunder (42); 2, Mrs P Parker's Guiller, 48; 3, Miss H Harrison's Zonner, 48, Section B: 1, East Light Lindted's Ben Brady Dilisa C Lewis), 38; 2, Lunz Hodels Limited's Spartangle Office R Hurld, 38; 3, John D Wood Estate Agents' Zion (Miss P Massh), 84.

RUGBY UNION

Leslie: will tour if leg

has his fellow Border Hanker

has his fellow Bottler Hanker Eric Parcon (Kelso). Parton, who replaced Leslie in the team beaten in Dublin only to be made the scapegoat, will be omitted if Leslie is fully fit.

Jim Telfer, the coach and

and fitness tests next month," he and thiness tests next month, he said, "and if there is the slightest doubt be will stay at home."

Weekend squad sessions will start at Murrayfield immediately

after the season ends on May and comine until a final session

for forwards only, on May 25. The party will leave Edinburgh on June 3 and return on July 12.

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June 10 Queensland Country (Mount Isa)
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June 23 Victoria (Melbourne)
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June 26 New South Wales Country (Single
July 4 Australia (Brisbane)

A match to

Beaumont

Lancashire in their centenary

International will cover all costs of staging the event, which it is hoped will raise \$10,000 for

charities of Beaumont's choice. These include the RFU charitable

honour

heais in time

Renwick out of Scottish squad

By Iain Mackenzie

If Scotland play as well in Australia this sum they will have a triumphant tour, said the Scottish Rugby Union's chairman of selectors, Glasgow Academy schoolmaster lan MacGregor, at Murrayfield yes-terday when details of the tour were announced. He was careful to

He was careful to add a warning about undue optimism, however. "This season we played six internationals and lost only one, but it is a different ball game on the other side of the world," he cautioned. "We did well in Wales and won by playing almost perfect rugby; but while it would be wonderful to see Scotland turn on that form every time, we must not expect too time, we must not expect too much. The squad of 26 players, to be

Ine squad or 26 players, to be led once again by Andy Irvine, is firmly based on that which won five of the eight games played during last summer's tour of New Zealand and then stayed together this season. A notable absentee is lim Paradal. absentee is Jim Renwick; the Hawick centre is unavailable for personal reasons and his absence will be a relief to the Australians. A novelty is the inclusion of the Stewart's solid as Melville FP back row twins, Jim and Finlay Calder. Jim is a regular member of the Scottish XV but Finlay has still to be capped. Scottish Rugby Union President Fraser MacAlister said he believed this was chosen for an international rugby tour party, although brothers have toured together in the past.

Another slightly unusual move has been made by the selectors. David Leslie of Gala is recovering from a broken leg, an injury sustained early in the National League match against Heriot's: some weeks ago. He hopes to be lit in time for the tour and had been included in the party; but so

Barbarians place for Barnes

Rugby Correspondent

Lancashire in their centenary season will play an international XV, including 12 British Lions, at Fylde on Sunday, April 18, to mark the enforced retirement from the game of Bill Beaumont and the immense service he has given to it over the past decade. A sponsorship from Diners' Club International will cover all cover But for their involvement in cup rugby next weekend, Jean-Pierre Rives, Robert Paparem-borde and Jean-Luc Joinel would be touring Wales with the Barbarian party this Easter. However, the touring side still maintains a goodly French flavour with the selection of Philippe Dimrans, hooker, Christian Belascain, centre or wing, and Bernard Vivies, stand-off

half.

For their traditional programme of games against Penarth (Good Friday), Cardiff (Saturday), Swansea (Monday) and Newport (Tuesday) the Barbarians selected 35 players some of whom are clearly destined to play in one or two fixtures at the most. The choice of four bookers sounds like of four hookers sounds like carrying insurance a bit far, but it is not as yet certain that Dintrans and Peter Wheeler will

get to the post.

One of the backs is Stuart
Barnes, the Oxford University
and Newport stand-off, who has
been a member of the Weish
senior squad but has now opted
to play for England Under-23
against English Students at
Sheffield next Wednesday. No
doubt he would fancy a game at
full back, which he regards as his
best position. One of the
forwards is Paul Simpson, an up
and coming flanker

PARTY: G Evans (Maesteg), M Wyalt (Swansoa); R Ackorman (Memport), R Baind (Kelso), T Ringland (Cueen's, Belfast), A Swin (Swansea), C Belascain (Bayonne), P Dodge (Leicester), D Johnston (Walt), P Dodge (Leicester), D Johnston (Mestonians), Kieman (Dolphin), C Woodward (Leicester); S

GOLF

Masters greens may be like lightning

From John Hopkins, Augusta, Georgia, April 6

Jayne Honey and The Preacher defied the holding ground to put up the fastest cross-country round and win the open/intermediate class at Ermington Horse Trials yesterday. Mary Thomson finished second on Humphrey and Clarissa Strachan, who won an advance class at Downlands two weeks ago and was second in the other, took third placing with her six-year-old, Delphy Dazzle.

The Preacher is an eight-year-old by Wily Trout. He gave a tremendous performance on an undulating course

All of the novice sections were won by the horse with the fastest time across country. Captain From the tops of the tallest pines to the boxes of matches that are laid on every table in the Augusta National Golf Club the predominant colour at the Masters torunament is green. Even the handles of the umbrellas are green. But today there was almost as much blue around as the temperature stuck at 50°F, and a cutting wind rattled the magnolias and caused the players to wrap up well and blow into their hands as often as they might on a spring day at they might on a spring day at Troon, for example. time across country. Captain Martin Whitely, chairman of the selectors, remarked that he only saw about three horses all day, from an enry of 146, who did not look like potential international horses.

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The majority of entries are of course by premium stallions of the Hunters' Improvement Society. The late Lord Mildmay's estate at Flete is renowned for its course but Captain and Mrs Bill Peek, who inaugurated

What will not be so different this year is the state of the greens. In 1980 the notorious and often stoping greens were reseeded with bent grass, and last year they were fast. This year the signs are they are going to be like lightning.

Johnny Miller was mortified in practice when a pitch of his landed near the back of the green, some 100ft from the flag. If the wind continues and there is no more rain the greens could get so dry and crackly that to walk on them could be, as one competitor remarked years ago, "like walking on cellophane paper" Significantly, Watson spent some time roday practising four to six-foot putts, which here can break as much as 18in.



ley Lock forward who was sent off against Richmond on March 20, has had a week added to his

Johnny Miller: mortified

A windswept Arnold Palmer,

A windswept Arnold Palmer, trailing hordes of supporters, arrived just as Tom Kite (one of this year's most consistent golfers), Langer and Jim Simons were driving into the teeth of the wind on the first hole. Langer's putting has been frightful and he had two new putters with him as he changed into his golf shoes. ● A record £160,000 will be at stake on Scotland's circuit

this season, an increase of £37,000 over last year. The biggest boom is in one-day pro-am events; the region secretary, Sandy Jones, said: "This particular section of the prize fund has risen from £67,000 to £102,000". PRINCIPAL TOURNAMENTS: May Northern open, Cruden Bay (\$10,000); An 2-4: Skill tournement, Cowglen 1\$10,0 Scotlish PGA championalip, Dates (\$22,000).

Wimbledon unlikely to give Borg a bye

By Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent. Monte Carlo, April 6

tenis and the farce of its politics of any kind of succed another eventful day at Lendl incit. Monte Carlo tournament. administrators - notably

se concerned with negotiating price the Grand Prix circuit may pay to ensure sympathetic aputrality of the Association of Tennis Professionals — emerged from hours of verbal crossfire with their sense of humour unimpaired. They knew that in their own way they were playing a game, and were confident that an honourable draw could be

Missing be enters) today's safety centred around Air Chief Marchal Sir Brian Burnett, character of the Wimbledon of the Wimbledon of the Wimbledon committee. He talked to the assistant tour manager (lan MacGregor will be in charge) was very firm on the question of fitness. Leslie will go through rigonious medical examinations. Committee. He talked to the Grand Prix organizers, he talked to Borg, and he listened. The Winbledon committee will discuss his findings on April 15. R seems reasonable to assume that Wimbledon will tell Borg he

bas to qualify; that 1967 fuss about open competition may have enhanced Wimbledon's stock of

THE PARTY: P W Dods (Gala), A R Indine (Heriot's FP, capt): G R T Band (Kelso), J A Pollock (Gosforth): R J Gordon (London Scotlish), D I Johnston (Watsonians), K W Robertson (Meliose), C J Williamson (West of Scotland): B M Gossman (West of Scotland), J Y Rutherford (Selkirk): I G Henter (Selfich'): R J Laidlaw being the dark and sturdy Pedro Rebolledo of Chile, who flicks his tacket over the ball with wristy—and risky—top spin on both funks, Lendl proffered his opinion on the Borg debate. He said that Borg was old enough to unter (Selkirk); R J Laidlaw ledlorest); J Aitken (Gala), G M said that Borg was old enough to make up his own mind and good enough to go straight into the usin draw anywhere. People who told Borg what he should and should not do were acting like the parents of a five-near-old child, he left. Guiller mo Vilas later made the same point: "We are not children." Vilas pointed out that the rules failed to distinguish between players who refused to play the requisite minimum of Grand Prix tournaments and someone like Borg, who had taken (Jediorest): J Aitken (Gala), G M McGuirmess (West of Scotland), I G Mine (Heriot's-EP), N A Rowan (Boroughmuit); R Curuningham (Bath), C T Deans (Hawick), F Calder, J Calder (Stewart's/Melwille), I A M Paxton (Selkirk), D B White (Gala), D G Leslie (Gala) or R E Paxton (Kelso). W Cutherbertson (Kimarmock), I D McKre (Sale), A J Tomes (Hawack).

The merger between the fun of five months off from competition

Lendl incidentally is undecided about playing Wimbledon. He said he was after the French champions! were too close together, he claimed (there is only a fortnight's break) and he added that many, olayers were uneasy about the way Wimbledon treated them and also felt that the facilities for practice

"Enjoying the tennis?" asked Adriano Panana. He and Borg were having a day off, but the centre court programme featured three of the five leading men in the world rankings: Lendl, Vilas and Jose Luis Clerc, and the drawand Jose Lins Clerc, and the drawsuggests that Vilas and Clerc-areheading for a sporting microcosm of an Argentine civil war.
Clerc saved five set points in
coming back from 1.5 drawn in
his second set with Gianni
Octeppo, who did not even get his
racket to Clerc's last two
services.

On the second show court Peter McNamara, champion of Germany, was beaten by a Germany, Peter Elter. The transition from indoor play to shale had been too fast for McNamara. on the same court like Nastase-conjured up much of his old magic before Balazz Tarorzy nailed him, while Keyin Curran and Stave Denton saved three match points before bearing Shlomo Glickstein and Stave Krulevitz in the doubless Krulevitz in the doub

Throughout all this, the sup-was shining and the view was inevitably superb. Yes, Adviano. We were enjoying the tennis.

For the first time in years, competitors at Junior Windledon have not been given lanch tickets, the reason being that the

annual £75,000 given to the LTA by Prudential is having to stretch

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present: Gebit Paish, chairman of the tournament committee, yesterday evening described the cost of food at the All England Chib as "s' headache" and said that he would be faking the matter up at a meeting last night.

SNO(ES: Boys: second most A Spooled (Lancashire) bed P Treen (Avon), 6-1, 6-2, 0

age group tournaments

Sara is walking tall By Lewine Mair

fin a day when April showers for the rain to cease, was of the classed havoc with the second high price of food. Thirty-five pence for a Coco Cola; 30p for a still orange, and £1.07 for coffee and a round of cheese sandcaused havor with the second of sprogramme at the junior hardourt championship, sponsored by Prudential at Wimble

saired by Prudential at Wimbledga, one of the vost positive performances came from the tall at least of the control of the conformance of the conformation of the conf sen an awawaru marcu agains, a pressing competitor, several years her junior, she showed making in the way of self doubt her services were often breath-takingly hard and her volleying prescularly impressive.

I nese include the KFU charitable trust, which assists injured players, and the Southport spinal action group

The Irish pair, Ollie Campbell and Roybbie McGrath, will be at half back in the international XV, with an England three-quarterr line and Dusty Hare behind them. The captain, Fergus Slattery, is one of three Irishmen in a pack including four Welshmen and the England hooker, Peter Wheeler.

Lancashire will be at full

Lancashire will be at full strength save for the absence of the injured Mike Slemen and Phil ough Cliff Richards's game Moss. However, Nick Spaven, of disale, who played at full back for the North against the Australians, is an exciting, strong-running wing.

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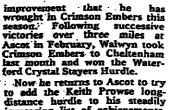
Gaye Chance can step up again

By Michael Phillips Racing Correspondent Amid the general emphoria which surrounded that Grand National as a whole and Dick-Saunders's achievements on Grittar in particular, insufficient credit was given to another man who made an important contri-bution during the diseasely meeting. I refer to Fulke Walwyn.

meeting. I refer to runa Walwyn.

After the National Huntfestival had finished ar Cheltenham, Michael Dickinson was
praised, and rightly so, for taking
just four horses there and
returning home with three
victories and a second.

Worcester doubt Heavy rain has endangered today's National Hunt meeting at Worcester. Hugo Beam, the clerk of the course said. There has been continuous rain today and more is forecast overnight. Any more heavy falls, would put the meeting in jeopardy. The going is soft. There will be an inspection at 7,30 this morning.



reason why he should not do so but the handicapper has use sufficient time in which to reassess him after his victory in wrought in Crimson Embers this season. Following successive victories over three miles at Ascot in February, Walwyn took in the Champion Hurdle itself. Indeed there are grounds for this home in Upper Lambourn and had three winners, a third and a fourth. There could be not greater proof than that of his lasting skill which has enriched National Hunt racing in this country for of Same, one of his rivals this more than 40 years.

Another line example is the wronght in Crimson Embers this successive with a season. Following successive miles at Ascot in February, Walwyn took in the Champion Hurdle itself. Indeed there are grounds for thinking that he will reap the benefit from a return to longer distances. Gaye Chance who finished fifth in the Champion Hurdle itself. Indeed there are grounds for thinking that he will reap the benefit from a return to longer distances. Gaye Chance who finished fifth in the Champion Hurdle itself. Indeed there are grounds for thinking that he will reap the benefit from a return to longer distances. Gaye Chance who finished fifth in the Champion Hurdle itself. Indeed there are grounds for thinking that he will reap the benefit from a return to longer distances. Gaye Chance who finished fifth in the Champion Hurdle itself. Indeed there are grounds for thinking that he will reap the benefit from a return to longer distances. Gaye Chance who finished fifth in the Champion Hurdle itself. Indeed there are grounds for thinking that he will reap the benefit from a return to longer distances. Gaye Chance who finished fifth in the Champion Hurdle itself. Indeed there are grounds for thinking that he will reap the benefit from a return to longer distances. Gaye Chance who finished fifth in the Champion Hurdle itself. Indeed there are grounds for thinking that he will reap the benefit from a return to longer distances. Gaye Chance who finished fifth in the Champion Hurdle itself. Indeed there are grounds for the champion Hurdle itself. Indeed there are grounds for the champion Hurdle itself. Inde

Gaye Chance: may benefit from a return to longer distances.

O'Gorman puts his faith in Susarma

Bill O'Gorman has started 1982 on a high note, having saddled three winners from only seven-runners. Brondesbury showed himself to be a useful twis-year old when spreadeagling his field in the Brocklesby Stakes at Doncaster, Michael Seely writes.

This Welsh Saint colt is the one they all have to beat in the early months of the season and will have his next outing at Newmarker's Craven meeting.

That useful sprinter, Sayaaf, also showed himself to be in fine form when beating Great Eastern at Doncaster. Sayaaf, also showed himself to be in fine form when beating Great Eastern at Doncaster. Sayaaf was to have Hobbs last seeson. From nine starts be won five times and in the series of Susarma and Chellaston Park was an admirately consistent filly for Bruce also Company. The proven fitness of Susarma and O'Gorman. "And Susarma at Doncaster. Sayaaf was to have Hobbs last seeson. From nine starts be won five times and recently.

reassess him after his victory in the Imperial Cup.

Now I cannot help wondering whether even he will manage to give 15lb to Path of Peace, whose strong late flourish landed him the County Handicap Hurdle on the last day of Cheltenham.

Venture to Cognac, a blatant disappointment in the Gold Cup, in which he could finish only seventh, has a chance to atone in the Peregine Handicap Steeplechase, in which he will be ridden for the first time by John Francome, simply because his regular ally, Oliver Sherwood, is currently on the sidelines recovering from a broken collarbone. chance of winning the Hen Harrier Novices Hurdle on Young Kusky, who impressed me as a budding jumper when I saw him run in his first hurdle race

in this country at Kempton at the beginning of February. In the meantime he has won easily at Huntingdon. Huntingdon:
Lavengro (2.0) could be a third winger for Fred Winter at Ascot this afternoon. Winter can only have been delighted with the way that be put Roadhead and Bachelor's Hall to rout at Nottingham.

his classic colours to the mast

From Desmond Stoneham Paris, April 6

François Boutin was all smiles at Maisons-Laffine this after-noon, after two of his stable proved themselves serious candidates for the early English

dates for the early English classics.
Freddic Head sat motionless on Zino, who made most of the running and took the Prix Djebel by an effortless six lengths. Gerald Oldham's coit will now contest the 2,000 Guineas at Newmarket and is sure to stretch his circle.

his rivals.

"Zino won the Djebel by six lengths — the same as Nureyev", Boutin said after the race. The unfortunate Nureyev, of course, went on to win the 2,000 Guineas only to be disqualified by the English stewards. Head, who will ride Zino at Newmarket, was also complimentary about the coit. "Zino felt pretty good today", he commented.

commented.

Lester Piggott's remarks after dismounting from Play It Safe, who won the Prix Imprudence by three lengths, were even warmer. "I couldn't have asked for more". Boutin added: "She's not

more". Boutin added: "She's not fully wound up and still in her winter coat".

Play It Safe led from start to finish and hardly exerted herself to beat Balance and Albala. Piggott could be on board this one in the 1,000 Guineas, but that will depend on whether he is claimed by Heury Cecil.

In Piggott's absence, the 20claimed by Henry Cecil.

In Piggott's absence, the 20year-old crack American, Cash
Assmusen, could take the ride.
Assmusen has now apparently
signed a contract with Stavros Niarchos, the Greek shipping magnate, so he could pick up the spare Boutin rides. Niarchos's best filly, River Lady, was ridden at work by Piggott at Chantilly this morning. She will run in the Prix de la Grotte and the Poule

d'Essai des Pouliches, French 1,000 Guineas. I Pollardstown, beaten half a length by Daring Run in Saturday's Sun Templegate Hurdle at Liverpool, joins Broadsword, who fell at the last, in the line-up for the Welsh Champion Hurdle at Chepstow on Easter Monday.

Boutin nails Seeking another Shergar

Michael Stoute is one of our age of 39 Re nan he most successful season of his career in 1981, saddling 97 winners and winning just under £870,000 in prize money at home and abroad. The champion trainer's chief standard bearer was Shergar, where the standard standar standard bearer was Shergar, whose five victories as a three-year-old for the Aga Khan included triumph in the Irish and Epsom Derbies and the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes.

Marwell and Hard Fought were the action of the standard starts.

the other main contributers to this total. That tough little filly Marwell carried Edmund Loder's Marwell carried Edmund Loder's colours to five victories. She won three Group One races and paid a tribute both to her own toughness of constitution and to her rainer's skill when beating Sharpo in the Prix de l'Abbaye in October at the end of a long and busy season.

Marwell finished third to Fairy Footsteps in the 1,000 Guineas. The trainer had previously had other near misses in the first of the fillies' classics with Fair Salinia and Our Home. This time he is hoping there will be no

he is hoping there will be no mistake with Circus Ring.

mistake with Circus Ring.

Owned and bred by Snailwell Stud, Circus Ring was unbeaten on her three appearances as a two-year-old. And the style of her victory in the Princess Margaret Stakes at Ascot on Diamond Day left watchers in no doubt about her exceptional merit as she sprinted 10 lengths clear of her rivals in the last furlong. Circus Ring's, final win came in the Lowther Stakes at York in August. She was lame in September, having trouble with her knees and was unable to meet her engagement in the Cheveley Park Stakes.

Consequently Circus Ring was confined to ber stable for most of



Stoute: toast of '81

the winter, "She responded well the winter. "She responded well to treatment and I am very pleased with her", said the trainer yesterday. The filly has been cantering since the beginning of February and has now been in fast work for just under a fortnight.

Circus Rion's first appearance.

a fortnight.

Circus Ring's first appearance
of the season will be in the big
race itself at Newmarket on April
29. The trainer has two other
useful fillies in Top Hope and
Vaigly Star. Top Hope quickened
in good style when meeting Last
Feather in the Rockfell Stakes at
Newmarket in October However. Newmarket in October. However, Bob Cowell's High Top filly has been slow to come to hand and will not be seen in action until May.

Either the Fred Darling Stakes at Newbury or the Neil Gwyn Stakes at Newmarker will be the first target for Vaigly Great's half sister, Vaigly Star. This filly has wintered exceptionally well, but despite the fact that she is sired by Star Appeal there must be a doubt whether she will stay a mile. Time alone will sell. Like most top trainers Stoute

is a realist. And judged on what they accomplished last season his three-year-old colts need to improve if they are to reach classic standards. The best on public form is Wattlefield, who finished a close third to Cajun in the Middle Park Stakes. Wattlefield will take on Norwich, Simply Great and Silver Hawk in the Craven Stakes at Newmarket next week.

simply constructed by Vaigly Noble. He was colt by Vaigly Noble. He was only narrowly bearen by the subsequent William Hill Futurity Stakes winner Count Pahlen at Newmarket and also finished runner-up to Ivanof in the Houghton Stakes. Noble Gift goes for a maiden race at Newbury before his future programme is decided. Three other maidens to follow are Electric, Bali Dancer and Toujours Vert.

Steute has only eight older

Toujours Vert.

Steute has only eight older horses, including The Quiet Bidder, who won the Cork and Orrey Stakes at Royal Ascot last season when trained by Reg Hollinshead Centurion is still in training. Grundy's full brother was rather disappointing last season after winning the Blue Riband Trial Stakes at Epsom-However the four-year-old looks in robust condition.

in robust condition
It is early days to be talking about two-year-olds, but on paper Stoute has a powerful team. The most expensive is Shareef Dancer, who cost Maktoum 3.3m dollars as a yearling at Keenland. The trainer says that he is pleased with the way that two-year-olds have been shaping. Henry's Secret, Widaad and Big Again are three names to be watching out for in the not too distant future.

distant future.

Michael Seely

Carson and Aintree singing in the rain

Only 437 paying customers braved the steady rain at Nortingham vesterday, but followers of Willie Carson had a sunny day. Carson replied to Steve Cauthen's treble on Monday with an 84-1 double on Graphics Solar and Come On The Blues. The latter may now run in Blues. The latter may now run in the Tote European Free Handi-cap at Newmarket next Wednes-

£200 from Pat Rohan's first winner of the season, Glory Bird, who took the Tavern Selling Hnadicap by four lengths from Dromoland Castle and had to suvive a stewards' inquiy.

Glory Bird only collected a prize of £516 but, said Rohan, "we had a nice bet on him and retained him without a hid "As Venture. The winner, who runs

the Tote European Free Handi-cap at Newmarket next Wednes-day.

The "Save The Grand National" fund benefitted by Glory Bid, they decided to give

Denys Smith was top of the form with the undergraduates from Newcastle University when he saddled his first winner of the season yesterday at the Scottish course, the aptly named Student Verture. The winner who russ Venture. The winner, who runs in Smith's colours, is owned jointly with 11 undergraduates and cost a mere 600 guineas as a

POINT-TO-POINT

Heythrop is

at the last

By Ian Reid Spartan Scot duly landed the

short odds yesterday in four mile Men's Open, the first of the season's "clashes". But it might

have been a different story if The Spud Centre, who had led from the start, had not unseated Kelvin Mizon at the last fence. It

Kelvin Mizon at the last fence. It would have been a very close thing indeed. Athenmore Lass was 20 lengths second.

The Ladies' Open race for the Lyon Trophy produced a new star in Lefrak City, a five-year-old who fought a long duel with Assured over the last mile. The borse's speed from the last fence proved decisive.

Last Saturday, just after

Last Saturday, just after Caroline Saunders, riding Robin Weaving's Rugy, had beaten Jenny Pidgeon on the odds-on French Peacock in the early Grafton Adjacent, I said to her: "Perhaps that's a good omen for your father." She replied with a smile: "I hope so."

Miss Saunders rode Grittar to victory twice in the Hunter Chase

Miss Saunders rode Grittar to victory twice in the Hunter Chase named after James Seely at Southwell — the first time on April 3 1980, two years to the day before Saturday's big race. Television sets have been installed on the course at Newton Brownwold, and as Grittar cruised home the cheers must have been been in Northampton.

cruised home the cheers must have been heard in Northampton. Four of the nine races were won by horses from Bunny Tarry's stable. Richard Russell had his first winning double on two of them, both of which he owns — Shifting Gold in the Members', and the rapidly improving Crozanna in the first Restricted. The other two were ridden by James Tarry, who is having an excellent season.

Sir Bryn produced spectacular acceleration to win the Men's Open in the fastest time of the day, but Coming Over only got up in the last stride to head That Faction in the first Maiden.

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Hard, 16 others.

FORM: Holescor Star (12-0), sw ch at shifth, while, 6th, bin 281 to For Action (level) in Champ Hile. 14 ran. Chethreham, March 18, 2m, heavy. Previously (11-7), won seally. 1841 4f. from Knighthood (Rec. 9b) and Fladge (rec 14b). 7 ran, Kampton, Adarch 13, 2n, heavy. Path of Peace (10-6) held up, led last, et out, wron be, bet. From. Prince of Peace (10-6) held up, led last, et out, wron be, bet. From. Prince of Grave 4b) and Microrruber (grave 12b) and Walnet Wonder (grave 4b) 191 mays 4th and M. Moorruber (grave 12b) and Walnet Wonder (10-6) held up, led last, et out, wron be, bet. From. Prince of Care Another (13 and Rogdow) (rec 5b) path Knighthood (grave 4b) 191 mays 4th and M. Moorruber (grave 12b) and Walnet Wonder (11-8) and Walnet Wonder (11-8) and Formula (11-1) and bit vit to Holescopt Star (grave 10b). 9 ran. Selection: PATH 0F PEACE.

3.5 PEREGRINE CHASE (Handicap: £5.892: 2½m) (5)

3.35 KEITH PROWSE HURDLE (£6,556: 3m) (8) 401 3111 CRINSON EMBERS (S.C.D) F-Walseyn) 7-11-12
402 1010 GAYE CHANCE MYR Rimel 7-11-12 Scudemore
403 2212 HELL OF SLANE (C.D) A Jervis S-11-12 Turnell
404 0100 MR NGONRAKER Miss Morts 5-11-12 Turnell
408 3130 OUR BARA BOY F Winter 5-11-3 Francome
409 0104 SILENY MEMBER P Hughes (Na) 7-91-3 DOUBTFUL
410 400 FARMER (C.D) Hawker 7-11-0 E-Walse
411 0000 GRAND MUSSAR (B.D) Kennard 8-41-0 E-Walse
411 GOOG GRAND MUSSAR (B.D) Kennard 8-41-0 E-Walse

4,10 GOLDEN EAGLE CHASE (Novices: £4,954: Tote Double: 3.5 and 4.10. Treble: 2.35, 3.35 and 502 034 BALLYGORE W.A. Stephenson 6-11-3 Rose 4.40 504 0404 CREBLERS CASTLE Gliftor 6-11-3 Rose CROZLERY (B) Forsite: 7-11-3 Franconia CROZLERY (B) Forsite: 7-11-3

Bears, 8 Bellygore, 10 Remeinder Imp, 12 Crozurry, 16 others.

Founz Resseinder Imp (10-11), 2nd, bin 14 is Sea Image (gave 20b), 11 ran. Towcaster, March 25. 2m 50yds. Good to zoft. Lloydussan (10-0), beckward when 3rd, bin 1%1, 251 to Braven (gave 31b) and Bellyross (gave 24b). 5 ran. Werwick, Fab 9. 2m 41, Heavy, New Lynic (10-10), ner nr., 6th, bin 131 to Nardy Glen (gave 11b) and Phil The Rater (rec 31b). 15 ran. Wolv. Fab 22. 2m 41. Good. Last Argument (11-0), not qoth or line, 2nd, bin nk to Bishone Sow (gave 10b) and Fidea Tower dhi. (level). 5 ran. Kempton, Mar 30. 2m 4f. Good. Cobbler's Castle (11-5), 4th, bin 151, to Staumon (evel). 8 ran. Reedury, Mar 27. 3m. Good. Ballygore (11-1), utski rdr. Sdylid, Mar 18, previously (11-1), 4th, bin 131-t, to Final Argument (gave 14b), 11 ran. Wetberty. Mar 3. 2m 4f 100vds.

| 2m) (7) | 201 | 1110 | HOLEMOOR STAR (D) | Miss Morris 5-11-10 | O'Halloran 204 | 0100 | 1110 | HOLEMOOR STAR (D) | Miss Morris 5-10-11 | DOUBTFUL 206 | 0021 | PATH OF PEACE (D) | Tisoriton 5-10-14 (4 sd) | O'Her 207 | 0'HD | WALRUT WORDER (C,D) | Elseworin 7-10-8 | Devise 208 2-p00 | ESPARTD (D) | McCourt 7-10-7 | McCourt 209 | 1221 | RIN HARD (C,D) | Turnell 7-10-7 | Sleve Knight 605 | 2340 | CJUHAM Sheety 7-11-8 | Morris 5-10-80 | 1110 | HAMS BRRIKER Wardle 7-11-8 | Williams | Williams

Ascot selections



Haydock Park Tote: double::3.15 and 4.45. Treble: 2:45, 3.45 and 4.45

2.15 MORNINGTON CANNON STAKES (2-y-o maiden filles: £1,564;

2I) (2	Lruniers)				
2 3 5	JENDOR (Mrs J Regist 4 LA DI DA (C'McGhie) - GLIEENS GLORY (C H SUTTY'S GRL (Mrs L	J Fitz:Gerald 8-11 eard) C Spares 8-	11		
8 11-10	SUZY MARIE (R Butte a Di Da, 3 Jendor, 5 Queen	rs) R Hollinshead	B-11		-S Pe
15 FRA	NK WOOTON HANE	HCAP (Sellin	g: £1,50	7: 1m 40yo	ds) (1

NK WOOTON HANDICAP (Selling: £1,50)
DOUBLE MEANING (B Briggis) A Balley 6-10-0
DOUBLE MEANING (B Briggis) A Balley 6-10-0
PERIOCAS (A Richards) C Austria 4-9-2
Y BUXTON BOAD (F Walker) I Victors 5-9-0
SATIN GRANGE D Fry) C James 4-9-0
SOCIDEN ALRAY (R Shaw) B McMalton 4-8-13
HARDE FROST (Mrs. J Canton) P Bevan 6-9-1
RASE GLEN (G Plat) M Lambert 5-8-8
THERLING (G Read) C Thornton 6-9-7 (5 ext)
(GLESSEEN (J Tomilinson) M James 5-8-5
SHAP TEN (Mrs. M Salmey) R C Ward 4-8-4
BURGLARS BOY (L Bernstil) L Burnet 8-8-3
HIRGLARS BOY (C Bernstil) L Burnet 8-8-3
HIRGLARS BOY (C Grayshort) S Wiles 6-8-2
FALIG SCHMELL (A Grayshort) S Wiles 6-8-2
ENDEAS (D Johnson) Mrs. M Mesthit 7-8-8-2
BURGLAS (D Johnson) Mrs. M Mesthit 7-8-8-2 (81 .W CarsonT kves

31	OUDD/G-	THE SURVEYOR (Mrs M POWAY) K HOMESPAND 6-8-2
pk	9-4 Rage (Ins., 12 other	Glen, 11-4 Theffling, 9-2 Perdicces, 6 Golden Alrey, 7 Minus Men, 10 Baro ers.
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1	5 FREDI	DY FOX HANDICAP (£3,064: 1m 2f 131yds) (9)
1	00300-	194US (P Price) J King 5-10-0
ż	OOD TO	LAFORTABLE (C) (Mrs J Brigg) C Stribbin 5-8-13
ž	442144	RUSHINGOR (Jan Ennis Construction) G Richards 4-8-8P Cook
3	402 (21-	GOLDEN BRIGADIER (W Gredley) J Gld 4-8-5
2	44000	SKI'S DOUBLE (G Mayers) R Hotinshead 6-8-3
4	14340-1	SM S DOUBLE (G Mayers) in Foliational Good Assessment Library in
8	302441-	HIZ (J. Horgen) R Hannon 4-7-12 McGlone 5
9	23130-2	SKI RUN (P. Wigham) P Wigham 7-7-10
10	40010-3	FRENCH KNOT (F Walker) J W Watts 4-7-7 A Mercer
2	00122-0	COMMOTY (CD) (J Beausire) J Bethell 4-7-7 B Crossley 3
		e. 7-2 Ski's Double, 9-2 Ski Run, 6 Rushmoor, 7 Hiz, 9 French Knot, 12 others
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		MARSHAI STAKES (£3.629; 5f) (5)
4	1 HEID	MARSHAI SLARES (13.02% DI) (3)

.15 NAT FLATMAN STAKES (Maidens: £1,744: 1m 4f) (14)

4.45 JOHNNY OSBORNE (3-y-o handicap: £2,460: 61) (8) 7-4 Negalia, 17-4 Hazim,-4 Video King, 5 Stariusi, 8 Roman Quest, 10 others.

Hamilton Park

2.15 TILLIETUDLEM STAKES (2-y-o: selling; £752: 5f) (2 runners) 2.45 DOLPHINTON STAKES (2-y-o maiden fillies; £792: 5f) (5)

3.15 STRATHAVEN HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,179: 5f) (8) 3.45 HOUSTON HANDICAP (£1.646; 1m 40yds) (6)

344002- COMPOSER (Mrs B Simmons) W Marshell 4-8-4 10000-0 CARRIAGE WAY (R Reynolds) R Stubbs 8-8-12 004400- KITHARON (D) (J W Watts) J W Watts 11-8-7 000100- CLOUDWALKER (E) (M Julien) M Lambert 4-8-7 .
104000 MELODY MOON (D Curr) Denys Smith 7-7-10
10400-0 HELANDY (F Smith) J Berry 5-7-10 4.15 ROBERTSON STAKES (3-y-o maidens; £669: 1m 40 yds) (8)

4.45 DOUGLAS WATER STAKES (Maidens; £707: 1m 5f) (11)

Hamilton Park selections

By Michael Seely
2.15 Red Sky Rose. 2.45 Dream Again. 3.15 Bonne Baisar. 3.45 Composer. 4.15
Lift High. 4.45 Selborne Record.

By Gur Newmarket Correspondent
2.15 Red Sky Rose. 3.15 Reg on Fire. 3.45 Composer, 4.15 Escape from Hell.

Haydock Park selections By Michael Seety 2.15 Sutty's Girl. 2.45 Rage Glen. 3.15 Rushmoon, 3.45 SUSARMA is specially recommended. 4.15 Ormolu. 4.45 Video King.

By Our Newmarkel Correspondent 2.15 Queen's Glory. 2.45 Minus Man, 3.15 Latoritaine, 3.45 Susarma, Wippin Crust. 4.45 Video King.

Folkestone

Going good. 2.0 (2.2) HOTHFIELD (2-y-c; £858; 50.

2.30 (2.32) FAVERSHAM (Selling; £736, 1m TOTE: Win 188:: places, 23p, 23p, 52p. Dual F. 21 57. CSF: 52 88. TRICAST: 527.14. V Scene, et Newmerket. 44, 21. Tamerco (10-1) 4th. 14 ran.

3.0 (3.2) WESTERNHANGER HOUSE HANDICAP (\$1,358; 1m 2f) AFRICAN PEARL b c by Airican Sky Stickpin 4-8-9 P Bradwell (TOTE: Win; 39p; places, 14p 16p, 20p. Dual F: 52.43. CSF: 13.03, Tricest 513.71. R Suppore, al Epsone, Leonides (11-4 fav). 21, 21, 12 ran, 3.30 (3.33) WHITSTABLE HANDICAP (C1,343, 1m 71 100)(0)

Sedgefield NH

7.11. ren: rrying Shottle. 2.45: 1, Torreon (7-4): 2, Rejeverator 3, Prefly Boy Floyd (10-1): 4, Witton 8 (50-1), 17 ran. 3.15: 1, MISS WOOD (5-2 fev): 2 Spring Chancellor (8-1); 3 Blackhawk Star (11-4). 22 stal.
3.45: 1, High COURT (7-2); 2 Rubelick (6-4 text; 3 SB of WR (10-11. 9 ran.
4.15: Matter information (15-6 feet; 2, Princest Tokan (6-1); 3, Kitten (10-1), 16 ran.
4.45: 1, Schooler Prince (8-2); 2, Aragan (20-1); 3, Covette (7-1), Blazing Wind 2-1 fev., 18 ran.

2.15: 1, Big Paddy Joe (11-10); 2, Spring Mean (16-1); 3, Sherp Tor (12-1), 17 ren. NR: Flying Shottle.

☐ The new-look Phoenix Park racecourse will reopen for the meeting scheduled on May 1. Reconstruction and other improvement work is nearing completion and the new owners plan to reintroduce steeplechas-ing and hurdles as well as flat

Hamilton Park

2.45(2.50) QUARRY HANDICAP (Selling, £790; 1m 40ys) STAR ALLIANCE, b ! by Big Morion — Wet And Windy (R Morrin) 4-8-7 8 Webster

BLUE EMBANGHELLE, b g by Lochnager — Julie Be Quick (Rokhvele Lid) 9-0 G Tote: Win, 21g; places, 10g, 12g 18g. Dual : 28g. CSF: £1.17. N Caffaghan, st ewmarkel. 5l, 6. Rocky Green (5-2 fav) 4th. 8 45 (3 50) MIDDLEWARD HANDICAS (21,797; 67)

STUDENT VENTURE br c by Averof — Tropical Frat (Denys Smith) 7-3 M Fry

> 4.45 (4.47); HOLYTOWN STAKES (3-y-o; -meidens; 1m 1f 10yd): TOTE: Win, 52a, Dual I: Sép.CSF, \$1.46. J. W. Weits, at Richmond. 11, 4, Perplex (7-2) 46, 5 rg. PLACEPOT: £113.60.

Kesuits
Burton: Hunt: Penguin Suft; Adf: Brown Loat;
L: Mackelly; Or Song Of Life; RO: Double
Earning; Mdn: Vulgarian.
Cattistnote: Hunt: Merry Betle; RO: Double
Fox; LO: Valenton; O: Dorset Farmer; Adj:
Lucky Victory; Rest: Stormy Det.
Cleveland: Adj: Ducky Warnor; RO: Tudor
Guil, LO: High Court; O: Lady Buttona; Mdn t:
Seeled; Mdn R: Pitskelly Blues; Hunt: Netherby Going: soil 2.15 (2.17) AUCHTHRAITH HANDICAP (2876) O: Hill Point; Mdn I: Sandy Mac; Mdn II: My Good Minn.
Grafton: Hunt: Shifting Gold; Adj I: Healy Retreat; Adj II: Rugy, O I. Grazama: O II: Highgate Lady: LO: Sporran Lad; O: Sir Brynt: Mdn II: Buy Bod; Leithingow and Shirilaggishra: Hunt: Birmy Craig; Adj: Blusgello; LO: Kinido; O: Vimy Ridge; RO: Besty Crocker; Mdn: Red Garnet Mosmouthable: Hars: Magle Rock; Adj: Lintan; O: Derrupsey; LO: Lady Pon; RO: Soot. Spot.

North Comwell: Hunt: Jo's Flamenco: O: Beararden; LO: Hargan; Ad; Rebel Day, Mdn: Morgan Evens.

Morgan Evens.

Herth Leddbury: Hunt: Hay Merchant, Adj I: Extra Fine; Adj II: Talaphit; O: Border Mark; Roi: Romardair, RO II: Butherfly Lifty; LO: Housensiatrea; Mdn II: Flambur; Mdn II: Liftie Trouble.

Trouble. TOTE: Win, £1.20; places, £1.11; 16p, 10p. Dual F: 35p (winner or second with any other horse): CSF: £15. R Morres, at Welshood. 10l. 3. Marchgate (11-2) 4th, Karyobings withdrawn, not under orders. Rule 4 applies. 8 ran. 3.15 (3.17) DECHMIONT STAKES (3-y-c makdans; £730; 60) Trouble.

South Devoir. Hunt: Brown Bowler, Adj. Spidor log; LO: Persenbulete: BFS: Sineinews Vt. O: Annagrac Princess; Midn: Sendsprike Vale of Clethwir. Hunt: Cefn Exhausen; Adj. Norman Cese; O: Brigadler Mouse; LO: Jernscrift Jane; RO: Pantord; Midn I: Dessert; Midn I: Yukon Tina. Fixtures

Tote: Win, 25p, places, 10p, 52p, 74p, Dual F: £1.55. CSF: £6.39. Tricast: £65.23. W. Heigh, at Molton nk, 15t. Denzig (8-2 ke/). Molt the Hoople (8-1) 4th, 15 ran. 4.15 (4.10) CAMPSE STANCES (2-y-o; maiden auction; £816; 50).

Fixtures
Today: East Devon at Ottery St Mary (2.0).
Easter Saturday: Ashlord Valley at Charring
(2.0): Balckmore and Sparkford Valle at
Engwested (2.0): Hursley Harobledon et
Tressediction (2.0): Horsley Harobledon et
Tressediction (2.0): North Staffordshire
at Sandon (2.0): Puckerldge and Thrulow et
Horseheath (2.0): Ross Harriers at Belevont
(1.30): Royal Arollery at Lardylle (2.0):
Spooners and West Dartmoor at Kalendrity
(1.15): Valle of Aytesbury at Kerble (2.0): Valle
of Lune Wattington (2.0): Woodland
Pytchley at Dingley (2.15): Zestand at Caldwell
(2.0).

Easter Monday: Chiddingfold, Leconfield and Cowdray at Michurst (1.40); East Kent at Aldington (2.0); Eggedord at Bishopsleich (2.15); Easter Ferresor: at Maris, Tey (2.0); Four Burrow at Tehady (2.0); North Cotsworld at Springhill (2.0); Old Bertschie at Locking (2.0); Southdown and Eridge at Heathfold (2.30); South Notts at Newark (2.0); South Postbrokeshire at Lydstep (2.0); South Postbrokeshire at Lydstep (2.0); South Shropshire at Lydstep (2.0); Talybord at Telyborn-on-Lisk (2.0); Talybord at Jerdens (2.0); Tyrredele at Cortindop (2.0); Vine and Craven at Hackwood Park (2.0);

Easter Treeday: Croome and West Warmickshire at Upton-on-Severn (2.0); High Peak and RE Cheshire Staghounds at Flagg Moor (2.0); Pytcidey at Gallaborough (2.0).

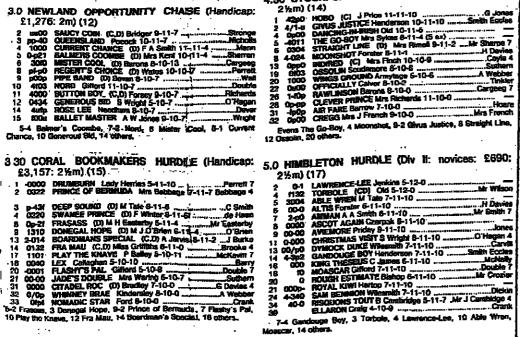
4 134 MINDBENDER Mrs. Beathy 9-12-7 8 9-469 BUCKMASTER Edwards 7-12-0 ... 10 0000/ DEST COLLECTOR Mrs. Newton 10-12-0 ... 11 0p/ BUCKMASTER Edwards 7-12-0 ... 12 0p/ BUCKMASTER Edwards 7-12-0 ... 13 0p/ BALLO DREAM Miss Mories 8-12-0 ... 14 000 LEDGER LINE Button 10-12-0 ... 15 0p/ BULLO DEST LINE Button 10-12-0 ... 15 0p/ BULLO DEST LINE Button 10-12-0 ... 16 0p/ BULLO DEST LINE Button 10-12-0 ... 16 0p/ BULLO DEST LINE Button 10-12-0 ... 17 10 EGAMES K Smith 7-12-0 ... 18 10 DEST LINE Button 10-12-0 ... 19 10 LEGAMES K Smith 7-12-0 ... 19 10 LEGAMES K Smith 11-12-0 ... 19 10 LEGAMES K Smith 10-12-0 ... 19 10 LEGAMES K Smith 11-12-0 ... 19 10 LEGAME -2 30 HIMBLETON HURDLE (Div 1: Inovices: £690: 9-4 Maty Sky, 3 When in Rome, 9-2 Comei on Tally, 7 Lord resolute, 70 Bold Deeler, Win Green Hill, 16 others. 3.0 NEWLAND OPPORTUNITY CHAISE (Handicap:

Worcester NH

E1,276: 2m) (12)
2 us00 SAUCY COM (C,D) Bridger 9-11-7
3 pp-40 QUEENSLAND POCOCK 10-11-7
4 1000 CURRENT CHANCE (D) FA Smith 11-11-4
5 0-p21 BALMERS COOKER (D) Mrs Rent 10-11-4
8 pl-p0 REGERT'S CHOKE (D) Wrists 10-10-1
9 p00p PPE BAND (D) Berens 8-10-7
10 4000 BUTTOR BOY (C,D) Forsey 9-10-7
11 4000 BUTTOR BOY (C,D) Forsey 9-10-7
12 0434 GENEROUS BID S Wight 5-10-7
14 4usp ROSE LEE Neothern 8-10-7
15 500a BALLET MASTER A W Johns 9-10-7
5-4 Belmer's Coombo, 7-2-Nord, B Meters (Cool, 8-1) 5-4 Balmer's Coombe, 7-2 Mord, 8 Mister (Cool, 8-1 Current tos, 10 Generous Bid, 14 Others.

£3,157: 2½m) (15)

4.00 RMC GROUP HUNTER CHASE (Novices: amateurs: £1,500: 3m) (20) 1 21p0 BOBBY'S FOX (D) P Morn 9-12-7 2 3141 LOHD DAWSON (D) White 8-12-7



11-8 Lord Dawson, 7-2 Mindbander, 11-2 Little Bild Vhiskey, 10 Debt Collector, 12 others.

4.30 STOURPORT CHASE (Handicap: £1,982:

Worcester selections

3.30 (3.35) HEADINGLEY STAKES (3-y-c: 12,490:50)
COME ON THE BLUES b c by Bitie Cachware — Floral Gift (Capt M Lemon)
3-1 W Cerson (4-1 fm) 1
Marti Grass — G Banter (8-1) 2
Bostrocker — J Lowe (10-1) 3.55 (50) Nottingham results Going soft Bostrocker

TOTE: Win, 40p; places, 11p, 35p, 56p;
Dusi F: £2.42 CSF: £3.45. C Britisin at
Normarket. Wt. ¼L Custas (13-2) 4th,
Swyndord S Passion and under starter's orders;
rule 4 does not apply 16 mm. FREE PRESS b g by Free State - Mise McWorden (Mrs J McDougaid) 8-11 J TOTE: Win 80x places, 29p, 58p, £4.05. Dual F: £8.04. CSF: £14.05.) Beiding, et TOTE: Win, 17p, places, 10p, 27p, 18p, Dual F: \$1.30 GSF: \$1.88 Tricess: £9.72 P. Rohen, at Mallon, 4l, 1. King's March (12-1) 4ft, 14 mar. 3.0 (3.5) TRENT BRIDGE HANDICAP (\$1.410)

Hereford NH

2 15: 1, Pulhace Venture (7-2 |t lav); 2, Peux (7-2 |t lav); 3, Gwynfi M (50-1), 20 ros. NR: Double Discount and Woher-Bay. 2-45: 1, Barve Jack (5-4); 2, Crashourne Tower (avens tav); 3, Town Sky (66-1). 7, nn. NR: Demaree.
3.15: 1, Trisica (14-1): 2, Duscenberg (20-1): 3, Fazirees Soal (4-1): 4, Pincents (16-1).
Little Canford 6-5 tax. 22 ran.
3.45: 1, Did Bean (4-1): 2, Bobette (7-1): 3, Rb Law (12-1): Sparten Heijer, and Pilot Officer 3-1 g faxs. 13 ran.
4.15: 1, Classickio Oris (4-8 law): 2, Armagnas Princess (7-4): 3, Fordington Valley (14-1): 9 ran. Nr: Royal Ar and hour Valley.
4.45: 1; Spartan Dalay (5-1): 2, Anteres (7-2): tay): 3, Gambing Fox (14-1): The Reverand Owen 7-2 it tay. 15 ran. Nr: Irish Whistony and More Laverndor. STATE OF GOHNG: Worcester: Soft (Inspection 7.20 ans). Haydock Park; Good to soft. Accot: Good. Hamilton Park: Soft. Tomothers' Tamates

4.0 (4.1); LORDS HANDICAP (3-y-o; 21,230; 50) 4.30 (4.31); OLO TRAFFORD STAKES (2-y-c maiden Sites: \$1,002: 51) TAI WOLG WAH b 1 by Music Boy Resurgence (B Tang) 8-11 E Johnson Changes To Tell Win, 80p; places, 22p, 13p, 22p.
Dust F: 40p, CSF: 80p, J R Williams, at Newmarket, 4t, sh hd. Worley Bird (25-1) 4th, 5 m. NR: Lady Donard.
JRCKPOT: Not wort, £17,472.30 carried forward to Ascot. PLACEPOT: £27.60.

TOTE: Wist, 82p. places 19p., 35p. 16p. 16p. Dust F; 95.21. CSF 215.57. Tricast: E75.63. G Lavid, at Epson. 2, 1%, Heeften Priops (5-1); tav) 4th. 17 rsn. 4.30 (4.35): CHILHAM STAKES (3YO MINE, FALLEN ANGEL b f by Quiet Fling — Alangia 8-11 W Newmos (9-4) 1. Domingha — J Roid (8-15) 2. Bladeki — A Goctrane (20-13). -- 2832; Im 4f). TOTE Win; S2p; places, 18p, 10p, 13p, 13p, 13p, 13p, 13p, 13p, CSF; 35p, H Caroly, at Wantage, Nc, 7l, Kriston (50-1) 4th, 8 ren, Hr

TOTE: Win, 78p; places, 23p, 11p, 16p.
Dual F: £1.08. CSF: £4.12. Tricest £10.33. H
Masson; at-Lewes. Mons. Boau (9-1) 4th. 3,
M. 13 ran.

4.00 (4.10): LYMINGE HANDICAP (ES26: 80)

MODERN PENTATHLON

Hard roads

pentathletes

By Michael Coleman

It will be all "away" matches for Britain's senior modern pentathletes this year in places like Rome, Germany, Paris, Budapest, Vienna and Uppsala. No overall sponsor has come

The one major home fixture is the world junior championships in London on August 24-28. This

will be a complex exercise, which will call for a massive tightening of belts by all in the Modern Penathlon Association. With up 10 20

ahead for

Britain's

remains the most graceful of

resent-day Indian batsmen, will

No country's cricketers have tended to do less justice to their ability in English conditions over the years than those from India. Noting the quick eye and wrists of one touring side, and influenced no doubt by his association with Ranji, C. B. Fry opce said Indians were the most natural Indians were the most natural cricketers in the world. The facts have not always confirmed Fry's view, and he was speaking, of course, before the emergence of West Indies as a power in the

Given, though, a fair deal from nglish weather and groundsmen, the Indians touring here in the first half of the summer under Gavaskar should prove capable of extending England fully. The 16 chosen make up a talented and mature team who will be brimful of confidence after outplaying England during the winter. For all its dull pattern it was still possible during the series for the dispassionate onlooker to recognize that India were the better side, certainly in

heir own country.
Several factors should help Several factors should help india fulfil their potential in England, even if their batting looks better equipped for the job than their bowling. Practically the entire team have experienced English pitches before, either with visiting Test or schoolboy sides or in the leagues. They have virtually no tail and helmets have helped eradicate traditional weaknesses against pace and

Nor should recent events in South Africa on India's chances of scoring runs this year be overlooked. Willis and Botham remain, and others, it is hoped, will emerge. But amid all the recent uproar, the effect that the absence of Hendrick, Old, Lever and Les Taylor might have on England's new-ball attack this year has escaped comment.

year has escaped comment.
Gavaskar's own skill remains
the lynchpin of India's batting.
After a lean phase, by his
standards, he rediscovered his oncentration appetite for runs



Kapil Dev, who should emphasize his improvement.

present-day Indian batsmen, will be making their fourth major tour of England, and Vengsarkar and Yashpal Sharma survive from the 1979 party. Vengsarkar, tall, angular, and probably Gavaskar's long-term heir as captain, finally found the confidence to go for his strokes on the big occasion in recent months. He played a crucial innings during the one-day series that India unexpectedly won in January and retained his new approach in the later Tests. Yashpal Sharma remains a hard man to remove in a crisis. Patil's Test place went to Patil's Test place went to Ashok Malhotra, a stocky but nimble right-hander, who makes strokes all round the wicket. He is 25 and has been in the first-class game nine years but has scored consistently only for the past two seasons. Scores of 80 and 67 not out for North Zone at Jammu against England earned him his place in the Indian side. Tests. Yashpal Sharma remains a hard man to remove in a crisis.

Of those coming who are less familiar to English crowds, Sandeep Patil could become the biggest favourite. Patil, an aggressive driver, hammered Lillee, Hogg and Pascoe for 174 in the second Test at Adelaide in 1980-81, three weeks after being folled by a humper from Pascoe. 1980-81, three weeks after being felled by a bumper from Pascoe. He was a little unfortunate to lose his Test place against England as the series progressed but played a crucial part with bat and ball when India clinched the third and decisive limited-over international. Patil in form is the sort of batsman who can turn a match in an hour.

The other batsmen in the Indian side.
The other batsmen in the Indian touring party are Pranob Roy, who opened with Gavaskar in the last two Tests against England, and the uncapped Ghulam Parkar. Roy is the son of Dankai Roy whose five ducks in Gnuam Farkar. Roy is the son of Pankaj Roy, whose five ducks in the 1952 series, including four against Trueman, have left him an unhappy and slightly distorted place in the record books.

Pranob is by far the soundest of the younger school of Indian opening batsmen and Gavaskar had a decisive say in his selection ahead of more freescoring rivals. Parkar, a small stylish stroke-maker, failed against England in a zonal match but is another promising opening batsman in his early twenties. He was as good a cover point or deep fieldsman as England met on

The other uncapped players medium pace bowler. Nayak, slight and wiry, bats left and bowls right-arm medium and is the sort of utility player every touring team ideally has. He performed well more than once performen wen more than once against England, not least when he earned his place in India's one-day team. Randhir Singh, tall and slim, failed to live up to hopes expressed before England arrived as India's new howling prospect. At his best, though, he can move the ball briskly either way and might do well on English pitches.

The lack of a full-blooded, outand-out fast bowler to share the new ball with Kapil Dev remains the main weakness of Gavaskar's side. Kapil finished the winter

series looking stale and weary as a bowler, shough his fiercely struck century in the sixth Test was a remarkable piece of cricket. Provided Kapil has regained his zest, he and Madan Lai — last here in 1975 — should applicate the improvement they emphasize the improvement they have made since thir previous visits to England, when both were fairly expensive. Madam Lal's career went into eclipse for a time but in helpful conditions he occasionally moved the ball about awkwardly last winter and

was usually ecomomical.
India's main strength lies with their left-arm spinners, Doshi and Shastri. In 1980 Doshi took 100 wickets in his last full English season with Warwick-English season with Warwickshire and has become a genuinely
subtle left-arm bowler with a
good record on hard wickets
overseas. Shastri, who has his
twentieth birthday in May, bowls
with less variation but is
improving all the time. Shivlal
Yadav's looping flight and
sharper turn brought him the
off-spinner's place ahead of
several close rivals.
Kirmani is, the only specialist

Kirmani is the only specialist wicketkeeper chosen and would possibly win a current poli among cricketers as the third best in the world after Knott and Taylor. With his shaven head— following a pilgrimage to Mecca— and a lively sense of fun, Kirmani could prove one of the leading characters in an India team that should entertain and perform with credit.

rentan Texas Suns Gavastar (cap-tain), Gundappa Visweneth (vice-cap-tain), Pranob Roy, Ghulam Parter, Dilip Vengsarkar, Yashpal Sharma, Askok Malhotra, Sandeep Patil, Kapil Dev, Madan Lai, Rafi Shastri, Sura Nayak, Syed Kirmani (wicketkeeper), Dilip Doshi, Shivial Yadav, Randhir Singh,

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An increase of over a third in

Selectors look past Brew's losing habit

Brew demolished his own by, Anabelle Cripps (Coventry), British short-course record by Catherine White (South Tynesside), 14 seconds while winning the side), Debbie Caldwell (Williams 200 metres individual medley, but was then disqualified for dipping his bead under at the turn from (Reading), and Lorraine Burt the breatstroke leg. The title went instead to Stephen Forrest, of the squad at 14, was born in finishing second also bettered the record set by Brew in Paris in February. There was a second disqualification in similar circumstances for Brew after he finished third in the 200 metres of the squad at 14, was born in Wisconsin and lived in Madison, New York, before coming back to train at Relly College. She now swims for Coventry. M Taylor, breaster the finished third in the 200 metres of the same for the state of the same for the state of the same for the state of the same for the sam

on seals by an the preparation association. With up to 20 countries threatening to come, the already overstretched Crystal Palace sports centre will not be able to hide its defects.

But this is for the jumors. For the rest, it will be a season spent living out of suitcases. Two groups have been formed, an Olympics squad (Michael Mumford, Danny Nightingale, Richard Phelps, Philip Royston and Stephen Sowerby) and a national squad (Peter Whiteside; Tim Kenealy, Nigel Clark, Alan Burgham, Peter Tayler, Clive Matcham, Jason Lawrence and Robin May). reaststroke in what would have Andy Morton, the British team manager, said: "We picked Brew because our chief coach, Terry Dennison, is a breaststroke expert. The problem was only a technicality, and I am sure that between them they can get it right for Blackpool."

Robin May).

The toughest test for the Olympics squad will be on April 21-26 in Rome, the venue for the October world championships. Nightingale, who was injured last year, will be under particular scrutiny. The man in form is Mumford, whose long posting in Berlin with the Royal Engineers is proving distictly beneficial, for all that it isolates him from his

Mumford has recently twice beaten the West German champion, Chistian Sandow, in con-tests there — with around 60 competing on each occasion. His total on March 21, for example, a huge 5,624 points, was against Sandow's 5,363.

Sandow's 5,363.

The German missed last year's world championships in Poland through injury, and may not be fully fit. But Rehbein, West Germany's new hope, who was second in the world junior title, was also a Mumford victim.

Two days after Rome, our four top juniors (Phelps, Royston, Tayler and Matcham) will be at Bensheim, West Germany. It is Tayler and Matcham) will be at Bensheim, West Germany. It is no secret that Phelps is the main hope for Los Angeles: the sport here badly needs anoher Olympics gold to attract sponsors, now the Montreal's glitter is only a memory Phelps, from Gloucester, will have the chance to show his mettle will compete at Com-piègne, France. While the juniors are at Rencheim a women's sourad pics gold to attract sponsors.

Bensheim, a women's squad Wendy Norman, Kathy Tayler (sister of Peter), Sarah Parker the world champion team, these three and Jan Challinor is the The goods news is that Miss

pentathion. The bad news is that Janet Savage, the national champion who announced her retirment after losing her Sports Aid Foundation grant, is blossoming as an athlete. On March 14 she ran 2hr 54min 09sec in the British American marathon

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Brew, aged 19, an RAF, in addition to Jameson and physical training corporal based forcest there are 11 new full at Cosford, has been included by the substructions in the team. They selectors who decided that the one Migel Coldsworthy (Swiss quality of his performances and onage), Stuart Harris (Manthe national short-course change thester), Nick Hodgson (Williams pionships at Numeaton an Sunday, Mapa, Wigan), Frank August were more important than the Beckenham), Richard Williams were more important than the Beckenham), Richard Williams he national pionships at Numeaton an Superships at Numeaton an Superships at Numeaton an Superships at Numeaton an Superships (Reckenham), Richard will write the disqualifications which followed. | Fleetwood), Freda Ross (Bexdisqualifications which followed. | Fleetwood), Preda Ross (Bexdisqualifications which followed. | Fleetwood)

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Liverpool swimmer Andrew
Jameson joins his sister, Helen,
in the team for his first full
international. Olympic relay
silver-medallist Helen, aged 19, is
named for the 100 metres
backstroke, in which she broke the English record at Nuneaton, and the 200 metres backstroke. Andrew, a year younger and also training at Kelly College, near Tavistock, earned selection with two outstanding performances at the short-course cham-pionships, beating off a cluster of

Danger of sponsors vanishing

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By Richard Streeton

A reminder that some sponsors might be frightened away if athletics went fully open came yesterday when details of British Mean's 1982 financial aid to British track and field were announced it will be the fifth successive year they have helped

"We are, though, slightly confused by the changing name of amateur stilletics." Mr. Tony Craddock British Meat's vicechairman said. If circumstances stayed the same they expected to contribute to British athletics right up to the 1984 Olympic Games in the future, though, the sums required could be out of reach fraint-ship though they hoped this would not be the case. Mr Bill Evans, chairman of the British Amateir Athletic Board, was quick to reassure Mr Craddock that barely two per cent of athletes in this context would be affected if the sport would be affected if the sport would be affected if the sport would proper the stressed the important help British Meat gave to junior athletis. chairman said If circume

A Weish Games at Combran on August II. and II. after which the Weish squad for the Common-walth-Games in Brisbane next October, would be chosen, is the main addition this season to the

also take part.
This year's British Mest Games
at Crystal Palace on June 18 and
19 will comprise a tripartice
match between Britain and
Northern Ireland, East Garmany
and Relegion.

Among other fixtures being sponsoried were the Scoutch national championships at Grangemont's July 3-10.

Casting for trout on golden pond By Conrad Voss Bark

A golden salmon leaping from Lurd's, so that the case for a golden fountain appears on the competition in catching trout on ourside of the beautifully protected brochure that offers looking at more closely. No interest but, not of great thousands of pounds in prizes to doubt it is popular, for the importance; what causes a fly-fishing clubs who enter the competitive urge is easily certain mild concern is that this great national reservoir fishing aroused especially when men championships of 1982.

Regional heats will be played. It is also true that we are not human emotions that responsible off at Wimbleball, Bewl Bridge, ealing with the catching of wild. By fishermen seek to comtrol, the return and the finals will not arise for the trout are especially among the young in Regional heats will be played. It is also true that we are not off at Wimbleball, Bewl Bridge, ealing with the catching of wild Rutland Water and a number of sh, so that conservation does other pitches, and the finals will not arise, for the trout are be at Grafham Water on August specially bred and stocked to be

mers to win both the 100

This is one of several competitions of various kinds, admittions of various kinds, admittines concerned, those who enter those of various kinds, admittines concerned, those who enter them to the most glossy in its because of the noise and promotion literature, by which disturbance, to catch fewer than the makers of cigarettes and beer they would have done if they had and fishing tackle are hoping to taked on their own, increase their sales by exploiting to the effect is predictable, the developing reservoir trout Those who like to fish in peace fishing market. A few club prizestend quiet and enjoy the pleasures or a free fishing holiday for two of the country will certainly in Kenya and — bingo! — in avoid the major reservoirs on come the applications.

Saturdays in the high season and Competition has its virtues, take day tickets or become

caught; and so far as the catching

especially among the you an indiscriminate slaught lish for the sake of slaught

Most professional game fishing instructors make a point of urgin; restraint in killing. Reservoir trout fishing competitions encourage an attitude of mind which is almost entirely the

Strangely enough, we were warned about this kind of activity some 500 years ago by one of the first. English instructors on angling, who wrote that the art of fishing was to be indulged in for the health of the body and the good of the soul and was not intended to be used for the benefit of one's purse.

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There have been suggestions to change completely the entire rating system in England and Wales (Scotland has a separate system.) One of the most popular has been to scrap the present structure and substitute a local sales tax — a method favored by a number of American cities and states — or even a poli tax.

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In Britain many believe that a
local tax would be difficult to raise, involving greater town hall bureacracy, and would hit those who could least afford to pay.

The Government is aware of the need to reform the rating system but, like its predecessors, is loath to rush into action. At the moment it is taking evidence from interested groups for its Green Paper, Alternatives to Domestic Rates.
One of the latest submissions

has been made by the Rating and Valuation Association, which has misgivings about a local sales or income tax or a poll tax. Intead, it strongly supports proposals for reforming the existing domestic rating system.

One major suggestion the RVA is making is that rates should be based on capital values rather than the present notional rental value of a property. It also suggests that an allowance for domestic rates should be made against national income tax.

The switch to capital values is

an interesting one. Several countries, including the USA, have already adopted this system. The level of rates you paid would be tied directly to the real value of your property. Councils would then have to fix the percentage rate at which the tax was levied.

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Certainly there is a need for some reform of the present

would actually undertake such \square For the first time in virtually manager, Mr Stanley Walker, an assessment. The houses in a year the country's leading warns that the market is unone street might be broadly building societies are talking likely to improve immediately. about rising property prices. The latest bulletin from the Leeds Permanent predicts an increase of as much as 10 per cent during the current year. It says: "Although the private housing market is not yet buoyant the evidence suggests that a new confidence is returning While economic ups and downs

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3.55 Play School. For the under fives (shown

4.20 Cartoon: Scooby Doo Where Are You? (r).

4.40 Take Hart. Tony Hart designs an heraldic

5.05 A Little Silver Trumpet. Episode two and Mrs Jessop is heartbroken after having the precious tin box containing Jim Ashburn's

6.45 Rolf Harris Cartoon Time. Four funnies;

7.15 Film: Jesus Christ Superstar (1973) starring Ted Neeley, Carl Anderson and

9.00 News with John Humphrys.

9.25 Rough Justice. The first of a three-part.

series concerning serious crimes and the persons sent to prison for them. A new look

at the evidence begs the question "should this man have been found guilty beyond all

doubt?" The first subject is Mervyn Russell who was found guilty of stabbling a young girl to death in 1977.

Highlights from one of tonight's European

Football competitions. It is the semi-final stage and in the European Cup Asion Villa face the Belgians Anderlecht while Totterstam Hotspur, playing at home, meet Barcelona in the Cup-Winners' Cup.

reconstruction of the story about Constance | 10.45 Newsnight.

Kent whose young step-brother was brutally 11.30 Vigil. A preparation for Easter. murdered (r):

9.55 Sportsnight introduced by Harry Carpenter.

10.50 A Question of Guilt. Episode three in the -

Tom and Jerry in Jerry and the Lion and Sleepy Time Possum; Foghorn Leghorn in Feather Bluster, and Bugs Bunny in Hare-

Yvonne Elliman. The screen version of the

Tim Rice/Andrew Lloyd Webber rock opera. A group of young people travel to the Hoty Land and act out the events that

5.00 John Craven's Newsround.

5.40 News with Michael Sullivan

savings stolen.

6.00 South East at Six.

and the Microscope. 7.55 Closedown. 10.20 Gharbar. A magazine for Asian viewers (0. 10.45 Closedown. 11.00 Play School. For the under fives presented by Sarah Long and Stuart McGugan. The story is The Little Green Frog by Chloe Ashcroft. 11.25 Closedown. 2.20 Racing from Ascot. Julian Wilson introduces four races; the Kestral Hurdie (2.35); the Peregrine Handicap Chase (3.05). The the Restral Fibridie (2.35); the Peregrine Handicap Chase (3.05); The Exp-O-Tel Supersports Long Distance Hurdle (3.35); and the Golden Eagle Novices' Chase (4.10). The commenators at Peter O'Sullevan and Richard Pitman.

4.25 Landscapes of England. In the last of his journeys of exploration Professor William Hoskins visits Haunts of

4.50 Caught in Time. James

30s (r).

eating tiger

Germany.

Ancient Peace in Devon (r).

home movies of the 20s and

Episode three of the nail biting serial and Hawk faces a man-

5.10 Science and Disease. How childbed fever was eradicated

Hawk of the Wilders

5.50 The Water Margin. Adventures of legendary Chinese knights.
6.35 The Ascent of Man. Part two: The Harvest of the Seasons (r).

7.25 One Hundred Great Paintings.

7.40 The Master Game. A chess match between Britain's Ray Keene and Eric Lobron of West

8.10 Chronicle: Mohenjo-daro. City of the Dead.

on the US Army — with

9.25 Nancy Astor. The final episode

present series sees the indominatable Hawkeye taking

A blitz devastates Plymouth and Nancy and Waldorf set about devoting their energies to saving their adopted city.

Meanwhile Waldorf tries to

persuade Nancy not to stand

for re-election and she feels

Symphony No 44, in E minor.

betrayed by him.

10.15 Hadyn Festival. The Academy

of Ancient Music play

9.00 M*A*S*H. The last in the

El Greco's The Burial of the Count of Orgaz.

BBC 2

6.40 Open University: Maths: Completeness. 7.05 Magic and Stakespeares Plays. 7.30 Microbes

and the Microscope. 7.55 Closedown.

9.30 Cartoon: Barney Google and Snuffy Smith in the Country Club Smiths; 9.40 The World We Live ther Watchers; 10.05 The History Makers The rise of Napoleon; 10.05 The History Makers The rise of Napoleon; 10.30 The Insect Alternative: Pest control; 11.25 Paint Along with Nancy (r); 11.55 The Bubblies (r); 12.00 The Munch Bunch: Adventures of spirated Munch Bunch: Adventures of animated vegetables; 12.10 Rainbow: Learning with Puppets; 12.30 Movie Memories; Roy Hudd with some tamous film stunts and stuntman Derek Ware; 1.00 News with Peter Sissons; 1.20 Tharmes news; 1.30 Crown Court: Continuing the case against Arthur Holland, Courts Continuing the case against Arthur Holland accused of murdering his stepmother; 2.00 After Noon Plus: "High teo" or natural childbirth? Kay Avila chairs a discussion; 2.45 The Six Million Dollar Man: Steve has to compete with a rival bionic man (r); 3.45 Definition: Celebrity crossword quiz chaired by Don Moss. His guests are Carol Drinkwater and Leslie Crowther.

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4.15 Cartoon: Road Runner in Highway Runnery. 4.20 Animals in Action: Big is Beautifut, World concern about the declining number of whales has spurred a thirst for knowledge about the magnificent mammal, Keith Shackleton takes us round the world of the

4.45 Murphy's Mob:Drama series about a football Club. 5.15 Mr Merlin: A comedy about a wizard disguised as a garage manager. 5.45 News, 6.00 Thames news. 6.25 Help! Today is World Health Day and Viv Taylor Gee talks to Mary Stott about elderly people and the quality of their lives.

6.35 Crossroads; Doris Luke's childhood sweetheart turns up after forty years. 7.00 Where There's Life . . introduced by Mirtam Stoppard and Rob Buckman. The difference between medical treatments in the East and West. 7.30 Coronation Street: Eddie Yeats produces

some new wheels. 8.00 The Benny Hill Show: Comic sketches and songs from the master of the innuendo. Among his guests tonight are Henry McGee, Bob Todd, Jack Wright and Helen

9.00 Minder: The final programme of the series and Terry and Arthur are both in trouble with the police. Arthur agrees to sell a BMW car for Scotsman Frank MacFadyen but as soon as it is his car lot the police pounce and Arthur is helping the police in their inquiries concerning drug smuggling. It's up to Terry to help prove his innocence

10.00 News. 10.30 Film: From a Far Country: Pope John Paul II (1981) starring Sam Neill, Lisa Harrow and Christopher Cazenove. A new film out the rise of Karol Wojtyla from humble Polish beginnings to become the first non-Italian pontiff for nearly five hundred years.

The story is told by highlighting the events after World War Two that shaped his. destiny. The director is Krzysztof Zanussi. 12.40 One Man's Easter:Don Cupitt and Marghanita Laski talk about Holy Week.

11.45 News headlines and weather ● In Chronicle's CITY OF THE DEAD (BBC 2, 8.10 pm) Professor Colin Renfrew takes us back to a not until 1922 was the area

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civilization created four and a half thousand years ago. From the Indus Valley we follow him in his learned Rough Justice. Each programme footstens around two major cities one at Mohenjo-daro, the other several hundred miles to the north investigates the case of Merryn Russell, a Deptford squatter at Harapa. It was in the middle of the last century when the discovery of an engaved seal stone gave the 22-year old girl art student. first clue to the existence of an Certainly the re-examined casts grave doubts and excavated to any extent and a Marshall was responsible for unearthing the world's third major river civilization after the Nile and convictions, can speedily win • THE CASE OF THE HANDFUL Russell a new trial. OF HAIR (BBC 1, 9.25 pm) is the first in a three-part series entitled

Rosles on the Northern Ireland border with the South and called it Landscapewith Bandits. For this she won a Pye Radio Award. Now she has turned her attention to Be and in particular the Divis Flats for a programme entitled TOWNSCAPE WITH BRITS (Radio 4, 8.45 pm). The Divis Flats harbour the extreme Republicans—from the IRA itself to the splinter group, the Irish National Liberation Army. All their movements are monitored by a closed circuit television network operated by the Army who have a camp on top of Divis Tower. The visiting the Flats just over six months ago after the collapse of the hunger strikes. She talks to the inhabitants—male, female and children—and the picture she paints is one of resigned despair. Brits Out, for sure but if or when they go Russell a new ural.

● Last May Margaret Percy
presented a portrait of the village of
will it mean the end of violence?

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6.00 News. 6.10 Farming Today. 6.20 Today. 8.23 Yesterday in Parliament. 8.57 Weather and Travel. 9.00 News. 9.05 Midweek: Henry Kelty.† 9.05 Midwedt: Henry Kelly.†
10.00 News.
10.02 Gardeners Question Time visits
Chestilie.
10.30 Delly Service.
10.45 The Stranger. A reading for
Hoty Weck.
11.00 News and Travel.
11.03 Baker's Dozen.

12.00 News. 12.02 You and Yours. 12.27 The Other Side of Silence (new A serial by Ted 1.00 The World at On 1.40 The Archers. 2.00 News. 2.02 Woman's Hour.

3.00 News and Travel.
3.02 Playf . "The Serang" by Vincent Mcinemey. 3.47 Time for Verse. Charles Matz concludes his discussion on the nature of poetry as sound. 4.00 News. 4.02 Sweet Spring. Dic Jones notes

4.10 A Lady's Life in the Rocky Mountains. The fascinating adventures of Isabella Bird as recounted by letters to her Story Time: The Last Resort" by Pamela Hanslord Johnson

 5.00 News.
 5.55 Weather and Programme News.

Crime. 7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers. 7.20 A Good Night Out. Laurie Taylor participates in a Medieval Banquet.

7.45 Poetry at Bath.† Extracts from a literary evening during the 1981 Bath Festival. 8.15 Voices in Hermony† (new series). Marion, Foster presents the chowcase for amateur

8.45 Townscape with Brits. A radio portrait of the notorious Divis Flats in Belfast.
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Detective. Crime and detection in London (4) Contract to kill. A Book at Bedtime: "Gorky Park", by Martin Cruz Smith 11.00 Ā (18). 11.15 The Financial World Tonight. 11.30 Today in Parliament. 12.00 News and Weather. ENGLAND; VHF with If abo

gramme News. 5.50-5-55PM (continued). 11.00 Study on 4, 11.30-12.10 Open University.

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pin; records.†
10.00 Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra. Concert. Mendels-sohn, Tchalkovsky, Sibelius.† 11.45 Clarmet and Piano Recita Hoddinott, Egon Welles Howells.† 12.25 Ravel String Quartet recital.† 1.00 News.
1.05 Concert Haß: Cello and plano recital, direct from Broadcasting House, Lonon: Boccherini, Brahms, Ben-Haim, Jean Coul2.05 Music Weekly.†
2.55 BBC Northern Symphony.
Orchestra Concert: Britten,
Mozart, Beathoven.†
4.00 Solemn Vespers of Wednesday
in Holy Week, from Wesiminster Cathedral.†
4.55 News. 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure.† Liverpool, † 12.00 Close.

7.00 The Row Over "La Ronde".
Adapted from the transcript of
the trial which followed the riot a periormance d play La Ronde.† 8.00 Pritchard Conducts Britten and Mahler Concert direct from the Royal Festival Hall, London. Part 1: Britten †

8.35 Six Continents. 8.55 Concert Part 2: Mahler,† 10.00 Scientifically Speaking. Pro-lessor Semir Zeki of University lessor Semir Zeki of University College, London, talks to John Maddox about colour percep-

10.30 Harpsichord Music Recital: Froberger, Louis Couperin, d'Anglebert,† 11.00 News. 11.05 Zelenka on record.† VHF Only: 5.55am-6.55 and 11.20pm-1.00am Open

Radio 2

5.00 Colin Berry, † 7.30 Ray Moore, † 10.00 Jimmy Young, † 12.00 Gloria Humrilord, † 2.00 Ed Stewart, † 4.00 David Hamrilord, † 5.45 News and Sport, 6.00 John Dunn, 8.00 Alan Dell, 8.30 Among Your Souvenirs, † (new series) 9.15 Semprini Seronade, † (new series) 10.00 You've Got to be Joking, 10.30 Hubert Gregg, (new series) 11.00 Brain Matthew, † from Midnight, 1.00em Folk on 2, † leaturing Ralph Mctell, Shirrley Collins, Julie Carter and Dan Quinn, 2.00-5.00 Julie Carter and Dan Quinn, 2.00-5.00 You and the Night and the Music. †

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CYMRU/WALES: 12.57 pm-1.00 News of Wales. 6.00-6.25 Wales Today. 6.45-7.15 Heddiw. 11.47-12.07 am The Hope of Glory. Mass from St Luke's Church, Cardiff. 12.07 News and weather. SCOTLAND: 12.55 pm-1.00 The Scotlish News. 6.00-6.25 Reorting Scotland. 10.50-11.15 Love is Okt, Love in New (Part 3). 11.15-11.40 Pets Soviers Entertains. 11.40 is Old, Love in New (Part 3), 17.1511.40 Pete Sayers Entertains, 11.40
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RELAND: 12.57 pm-1.00 Northern
Ireland News. 3.53-3.55 Northern
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Six. 6.45-7.15 Colleges in Question.
1.45 News and weather. ENGLAND:
6.00 pm-6.25 Regional news
magazines. 6.45-7.15 East
— Chanoline Places. London and South

magazines. 6.45-7.15 East — Changing Places. London and South East—Rolf Harris Catoon Time. Midlends Today—Me and My Town. North—Class. North East—The Yellow Programme. North—Don't West—Finding Out. South—Don't Fence Me In. South West—Count Scene. West—Breakthrough 82.

CHANNEL

As Thames except: Starts 12.00-12.10 Munch Bunch, 1.20-1.30 News, 2.45-3.45 Trapper John, 5.20-5.45 Crossroads, 6.00 Channel Report, 6.30-7.00 Bailey's Bird, 12.40 am Epilogue, Colasdown.

SCOTTISH

As Thames except: 9.30 Kiribati. 10.20 Land of Birds. 10.50 History of the Car. 11.15-12.00 Story Hour. 1.20 pm News. 2.45-3.45 Love Boat. 5.10 Travellers Tales. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Scotland Today, followed by Action Line. 6.30-7.00 Report. 12.40 am Late Call. 12.45 Closedown.

HTV GRAMPIAN

As Thames except: Starts 9.40 Beachcombers, 10.05 Mr Magoo, 10.10 Incredible Hulk, 11.00-12.00 As Internet except. Stairs 9:40 First Thing. 9,45 New Avengers. 10.35 Stingray. 11.00-12.00 Sesame Street. 1.20-1.30 News. 2.45-3.45 Trapper John. 5.15-5.45 Survival. 6,00-6.35 North Tonight. 12.40 News. 12.45 seame Street. 1.20 pm-1.30 News, 2.45 Fantasy Island. 3.45 History Makers: Gafileo. 5.15-5.45 Private Benjamin. 6.00-6.35 News. 12.40 am Chosarings.

HTV CYMRU/WALES As HTV West except: 12.00-12.10 pm Ty Bach TWT. 4.15 Mr Merlin. 4.45-5.15 Doctor Snwgwl, 6.00 Y Dydd. 6.15-6.35 Report Wales.

GRANADA

As Thames except: 9.30 The Coral World. 10.15-12.00 Film: A doctor'spride and joy is a hospital and he seeks nothing more from file than to look after it. 12.30 Play it Again. 1.20 Granada Reports. 1.30 Exchange Flags. 2.00 Crown Court. 2.30 Sound of Vince Hill. 2.45 Deeply regretted by A woman's life is shattered by her husband's death. 6.00 This is Your Right. 6.05 Crossroads. 6.30-7.00 Granada Reports. 12.40 Closedown

BORDER

As Thames except: Starts 9.35 am Sesame Street, 10.30-12.00 Film: Island of the Lost (Richard Greene). Anthropologist sets out on a perilous voyage in search of uncharted islands. 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 245-3.45 Bracken, 5.15-6.45 Radio, 6.00-6.35 Lookaround, 12.40 am News. 12.43 es except: Starts 9.40 First

ANGLIA

As Thames except: 9.30 am Larry the Lamb. 9.45 Rocket Robin Hood. 10.10 Call it Macaroni. 10.35 New Fred and Barney Show. 11.00 Tarzan. 11.50-12.00 Wattoo, Wattoo, 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 2.45-3.45 Trapper John. 5.15-5.45 Happy Days. 6.00-6.35 About Anglia. 12.40 am Davidson File and Closedown.

TYNE TEES

As Thames except: Starts 9.20 Good Word, 9.25 News, 9.30 Vikings of the Sunrise, 10.15 Kum Kum, 10.35 Cartoon, 10.45 Hopalong Cassidy. 11.50-12.00 Sally and Jake. 1.20-News. 2.45-3.45 Love Boal. 5.15-5.45 Private Benjamin, 6.00 News. 6.02 Crossroads. 6.25-7.00 Northern Life. 12.40 Four Face of a Holiness.

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Untamed World. 10.00 Animated
Classics: Moby Dtok. 10.50
Beachcombers. 11.15 New Fred and
Barney Show. 11.40-12.00 European
Folk Tales. 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 2.45
-3.45 Trapper John. 5.15 Radio. 5.305.45 Coast to Coast. 6.00-6.35 Coast
to Coast. 11.30 City of Angels. 12.30
am Commany. Chestform.

Radio, 6.00 Crossroads, 6.25-7.00 News, 12.40 am Closedown. ULSTER

Munch Bunch, 1,20-1,30 Lunchtime, 2,45-3,45 Young Ramsay, 5,15 Radio, 5,30-5,45 Good Evening Ulster, 6,00. Good Evening Ulster. 6.30-5.35 Hope Eternal. 12.40 am News at Bedtime, followed by Closedown.

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Law Report April 7 1982

Queen's Bench Division

The meaning of 'dishonestly'

Before Lord Lane, Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Lloyd and Mr Justice Eastham

[Judgment delivered April 5] The law on the meaning of "dishonestly" in the Theft Act 1968, was in a complicated state and, instead of seeking to reconcile irreconcilable authorities, another solution to the problem of ascertaining the meaning was proposed by the Court of Appeal.

The Lord Chief Justice was

The Lord Chief Justice was reading a reserved judgment dismissing an appeal by Deb Baran Ghosh, a surgeon, of Skeena Hill, Wandsworth, Londou, against conviction at St Albans Crown Court (Judge Anwyl-Davies, QC) on four counts of an indictment: attempting to procure the execution of a cheque by deception, contrary to section 20(1) of the 1968 Act, and attempting to obtain, and obtaining, money by deception, contrary to section 15. He was fined 250 on each count with a term of imprisonment in default of payment.

payment.
Mr Robert Francis, assigned by
the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant; Mr John
Drinkwater, QC and Mr Anthony
Glass for the Crown.

The LORD CHIEF JUSTICE said The LORD CHIEF JUSTICE said that the appellant was acting as a locum tenens consultant at a hospital. The counts alleged that he had falsely represented that he had himself carried out a surgical operation to terminate pregnancy or that money was due to himself or an amesthetist for such an operation when in fact such an operation when in fact the operation had been carried out by someone else and / or under the National. Health Service provisions.

Service provisions.

His defence was that there was no deception: that the sums paid to him were due for consultation fees which were legitimately payable under the regulations, or the helence of feet payable under the balance of fees properly payable — in other words, that there was nothing dishonest about his behaviour on

The effect of the jury's verdict was, on count 1, that he had falsely represented that he had carried out a surgical operation and had intended dishonestly to obtain money thereby; as to the second count that he had falsely pretended that an operation had been carried out under the NHS; as to the third count that he had falsely necessarily that money was falsely pretended that money was due to an anaesthetist; and as to the fourth count, that he had obtained money by falsely pretending that an operation had been carried out on a fee-negring been carried out on a fee-paying basis when in fact it had been conducted under the terms of the NHS.

The ground of appeal was simply that the judge misdirected the jury as to the meaning of

The law on that branch of the Theft Act was in a complicated state and their Lordships embarked on an examination of the authorities with great diffidence. When R v Mclvor (The Times, November 18, 1981; [1982] I WLR 409) came before the Court of Appeal, there were two conflicting lines of authority. On the one hand there were cases which decided that the test of dishonesty for the purposes of the Act was, what their Lordships wentured to call, subjective, that is, the jury should be directed to

ventured to call, subjective, that is, the jury should be directed to look into the mind of the person charged and determine whether he knew he was acting dishonestiy; R v Landy ([1981] I WLR 355). On the other hand there were cases which decided that the test of dishonesty was objective, for example R v Greenstein ([1975] I WLR 1353).

WLR 1353).
In McLoor the Court of Appeal In Mcloor the Court of Appeal sought to reconcile those conflicting lines of authority. They did so on the basis that the subjective test was appropriate where the charge was conspiracy to defraud, but in the case of theft the test should be objective. The question which their Lordships in the present case had to decide was, first, whether the distinction suggested in Mcloor was justifiable in theory, and second, whether it was workable in practice.

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His Lordship considered Scott
v Metropolitan Police Commissioner ([1975] AC 819) and
stated that nothing in that case
supported the view that, so far as
dishonesty was concerned, "theft
is in a different category from
conspiracy to defraud". Further,
nothing in Landy itself justified
putting theft and conspiracy to
defraud into different categories
— which was clear from a - which was clear from a reference to R v Feely ([1973] QB

The difficulty with section 15 was that dishonesty came in twice — "(1) A person who by any deception dishonestly obtains property...". If a person knew that he was not telling the truth he was guity of dishonesty. Indeed, deliberate deception was one of the two most obvious forms of dishonesty. One wondered, therefore, whether "dishonestly" in section 15(1) added anything, except in the case of reckless deception.

As a result of Mclvor, if

case of reckless deception.

As a result of McIvor, if "dishonestly" added anything, the consequences could not be regarded as satisfactory from a practical point of view. In seeking to reconcile the two lines of anthority, the Court of Appeal in McIvor was seeking to reconcile the irreconcilable. It therefore fell to their Lordships either to choose between the two lines of authority or to propose some other solution.

and re-examines the evidence as well as unearthing some new facts. Tonight reporter Martin Young even those doubts disappear with the emergence of the new facts. Unfortunately, the prime suspect died before Russell's trial began. I only hope that Justice, the organisation that looks into doubtful

Take for example a man who

There remained the objection that, to adopt a subjective test, was to abandon all standards but

was to abandon an standards but that of the person charged and to bring about a state of affairs in which "Robin Hood would be uo robber". That objection misun-derstood the nature of the

dishonest by those standards, that was the end of the matter and the prosecution failed.

If it was dishonest by those standards, there the person charged himself must have realized that what he was doing was by those standards dishonest. In most cases, where the actions were obviously dishonest by ordinary standards, there would be no doubt about it. It would be obvious that the person charged himself knew that he was acting dishonestly.

Regina v Greater London to Greater London the bid for revenue reserve prevision in the housing programme budget be amended.

Borough of Kensington and Chelsea

Before Mr Justice McNeill [Reasons delivered April 2]

The GLC retained a strategic for properties transferred to London boroughs, including kensington, under two voluntary orders made under section 23 of the London Government Act 1963. The transferred property discriminating in the context of the London Government Act 1963. The transferred property discriminating in the Context of the London Government Act 1963. The transferred property discriminating in the Context of the London Government Act 1963. The transferred property discriminating in the Context of the London Government Act 1963. The transferred property discriminating in the Context of the London Government Act 1963. The transferred property discriminating in the Context of the London Government Act 1963. The transferred property discriminating in the Context of the London Government Act 1963. The transferred property discriminating in the Context of the London Government Act 1963. The transferred property discriminating in the Context of the London Government Act 1963. The transferred property discriminating in the Context of the London Government Act 1963. The transferred property discriminating in the Context of the London Government Act 1963. The transferred property discriminating in the Context of the London Government act 1963. The transferred property discriminating in the Context of the London Government Act 1963. The transferred property of the Lon

by "dishonestly".

The heart of the problem was:
was "dishonestly" in section 1
intended to characterize a course
of conduct? Or was it intended to
describe a state of mind? If, as
their Lordships thought, it was
intended to describe a state of
mind, then the knowledge and
belief of the person charged were
at the root of the problem. It was dishonest for a person It was disbonest for a person charged to act in a way which he knew ordinary people considered to be disbonest, even if he asserted or genuinely believed that he was morally justified in acting as he had acted. For example, Robin Hood, or those ardent anti-vivisectionists who removed animals from vivisection laboratories, were acting disbocame from a country where public transport was free. On his

So far as concerned the

If their Lordships were right that "dishonestly" was something in the mind of the person charged, if his mind was honest, it could not be deemed dishonest merely because members of the jury would have regarded it as dishonest to embark on that course of conduct.

There represents the shiperion So far as concerned the present case, once the jury had rejected the appellant's account in respect of each count (as they plainly had) the finding of dishonesty was inevitable whichever of the tests of dishonesty was applied. If the judge had asked the jury to determine whether the appellant might have believed that what he had done was in accordance with the ordinary man's idea of honesty, there could have been only one answer - and that was "No" —once the jury had rejected the appellant's explanation of what had happened.

In so far as there had been a

It was no defence for a man to say "I knew that what I was doing was generally regarded as dishonest; but I do not regard it as dishonest myself. Therefore I am not guilty". m so far as there had been a nisdirection on the meaning of dishonesty, it was plainly, a case for upholding the conviction by application of the proviso to section 2(1) of the Criminal Appeal Act 1968 and accordingly the appeal was dismissed. am not guilty".

However, what he was entitled to say was "I did not know that anybody would regard what I was doing as dishonest". He might not be believed; just as he might not be believed if he set up a "claim of right" under section 2(1) of the 1958 Act or asserted that he believed in the truth of a misrepresentation under section 15. But if he was believed, or raised a real doubt about the matter, the jury could not be Solicitors: DPP.

Political use of courts deplored

Reasons delivered April 2]
The GLC retained a strategic housing responsibility in respect of properties transferred to London boroughs under the Greater London Council (Transfer of Land and Housing Accommodation) Orders 1980 and 1981 (SI 1980 No 320 and SI 1981 No 289). It was permissible for the GLC to determine alternative deemed reuts under the orders

MR JUSTICE McNEILL said that Kensington applied for judicial review of decisions of the GLC in their budgeting process leading to the issue of the precept. Kensington sought declaratory relief and relief by way of prerogative writ in respect of decisons to budget for a transferred property deficit and a special contingency balance.

Dealing with the transferred property deficit first, the GLC decided that "the deemed rent of transferred stock be increased by £2.50 a week for the purpose of calculation of the net revenue calculation of the net revenue calculation of the net revenue deficit contribution by the council except that where an appropriate certificate is pro-vided on behalf of a particular borough that it is willing to comply with conditions relating

Sentencing violent burglars

the GLC to determine anerusaive deemed rems under the orders and the GLC's policy of harmoni-zation of rents of transferred and existing stock within a borough was not an irrelevant consider-

that he was morally justified in acting as he had acted. For example, Robin Hood, or those ardent anti-vivisectionists who removed animals from vivisection laboratories, were acting dishonestly even though they might consider themselves to be morally justified in doing what they did, because they knew that ordinary people would consider those actions to be dishonest.

Cases which might be described as borderline, such as Boggeln v Williams ([1978] 1 WLR 873) would depend on the jury's view of whether the person charged might have believed what he was doing was in accordance with the ordinary man's idea of honesty.

So far as concerned the

to its own and transferred stock deemed increase shall only be £1 per dwelling per week ... That

Regina v Garner and Others Jupp) said in the Court of Appeal

in McDoor was seeking to matter, the jury could not be reconcile the irreconcilable. It therefore fiell to their Lordships either to choose between the two lines of authority or to propose some other solution.

His Lordship considered R v Waterfall (1970) 1 QB 148), R v Waterfall (1970) 1 WLR 1764) and R v Gilks (1972) 1 WLR 1341) and stated that Feely was often (Criminal Division) on April I. In these days of equality of the

GLC under the orders which was collected by way of a precept.

In order to calculate the deficit, the GLC were required to determine the deemed rent increase of the transferred property. Kensington contended that the GLC had no power under the orders to offer an option to take up alternative rents and that determination was a breach of fiduciary dury and not reasonably made, since it was discriminatory.

proper construction of the orders, a different determination, within the maximum permitted by the secretary of state, for each borough was permissible and if differing increases could be offered, the discrimination was statutorily permissible. The order did not require a determination of deemed rent increase which was the same in every London borough.

The scope within which irregularity based on discrimination within the fiduciary duty of a local authority or within the Wednesbury principle was very limited in the absence of statute. Bearing in mind that the present case was concerned with local authority housing subsidised by both the taxpayer and the ratepayer, his Lordship should find it very difficult to find illigality based on discrimination except m a very strong case. Bearing in mind that the present case was concerned with local authority housing subsidised by both the taxpayer and the ratepayer, his Lordship should find it very difficult to find illigality based on discrimination except in a very strong case.

It was even less open to argue discrimination when his Lordship found that the GLC had a housing responsibility in respect of serviced seek as well as a considered the relevant authorities and following the principles laid down, his Lordship found that the GLC, having professional advice, had acted upon it within their statutory power and fiduciary duty wholly reasonably, taking into account all relevant and no irrelevant matters. Accordingly there was found that the GLC had a housing responsibility in respect of retained stock as well as over Greater London housing generally, and in particular over its transferred stock.

Section 22 of the London Control only be concerned with the

accommodation. That was not simply a secretarial obligation and seemed to impose on the GLC a general oversight of housing needs in Greater London. The GLC had rights to nominate tenants to transferred property and retained response. property and retained responsi-bility for works of rehabilitation. bility for works of rehabilitation.

The GLC retained a general strategic responsibility for Greater London housing. Since they had a housing responsibility and had acted reasonably and genuinely in pursuing housing purposes, there was no scope for illegality by discrimination even if the effects might advantage or disadvantage those affected under the court of the case, and the case, and the court of the case, and the court of the case, and the case, and the court of the court of the case, and the court of the case, and the court of the co

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His Lordship found that on a proper construction of the orders, a different determination, within the maximum permitted by the secretary of state, for each borough was permissible and if differing increases could be offered, the discrimination was saturorily permissible. The differing rents for not dissimilar.

of the borough's existing such at the was easy to recognize that differing rents for not dissimilar and geographically close units of accommodation would create social or neighbourhood prob-

Government Act 1963 imposed on the GLC 2 duty to establish records in respect of housing accommodation. That was not simply a secretarial obligation and seemed to impose on the

It was a matter of real concern that the divisional court, exercis-ing the power of judicial review, was increasingly, and particu-larly in this part of the case, being used for political purposes superficially dressed up as points of law.

disadvantage those affected un- overrated or over-precepted, the

electorate. It was only when illegality could be established that judicial review could be appropriately sought.
The impropriety of coming to
the court when political capital
was sought to be made could not

be over stressed. It was perhaps even worse when public servants were or felt constrained to file affidavits which demonstrated a political purpose.

His Lordship accepted that it was proper for the GLC to assess the consequences of future legislation when budgeting for its annual requirement and to make

legislation when budgeting for its annual requirement and to make provision by way of the special contingency balance. The GLC paid full attention to professional and legal advice. Kensington, after reading the GLC's affidavir, should have realised that there really was no point of law in relation to the special contingency balance.

relation to the special contin-gency balance.

As a matter of discretion, his Lordship would have declined to gram the relief sought. To quash the precept and to deprive the GLC of the funds necessary to provide for the legitimate needs of Greater London would have or Creater London would have been outrageous: the more so having regard to the proportion borne by the disputed items to the total precept and to the fact that any surplus could have been absorbed by or compensated for in the precept in succeeding

years.

To grant declaratory relief without quashing the precept without quashing the precept would have been wholly without point save perhaps in giving some politician a catch phrase and he would not add judicial authority to that end, nor would it be a legitimate exercise of judicial authority.
Solicitors: Mr Andrew Colvin;
Mr J. R. Fitzpatrick.

Immigration and dependency

Regina v Immigration Appeal Tribunal, Ex parte Patel Mr Justice McNeill, in the Queen's Bench Division on April 5, quashed a decision of the Immigration Appeal Tribunal allowing an entry clearance officer's appeal that an immigrant widow was not entitled to an entry clearance certificate. HIS LORDSHIP said that the tribunal, in deciding whether the widow was "mainly dependent"

widow was "mainly dependent" upon a son settled in the United Kingdom under paragraph 45 of the Statement of Immigration Rules for Control On Entry: Commonwealth Citizens (HC 79); failed to recognize that her dependency, consisting of £15 per month and free accommodation, was a necessary part of her subsistence which her other sources were insufficient to cover.

By David Walker, Local Government Correspondent

Secretary of State for the yesterday visited. announced an experimental set of grants which could, if the American example on which they are based works yesterday that development in Britain, produce more projects worth between £70m than £250m of new invest- and £100m are being atment in inner urban districts.

The Government will reserve £70m of its urban public money on special programme for 1983-84 for grants for land reclamation. projects initiated by councils in which the private sector cooperates in house-building, reclaiming derelict land or constructing shops and offices. "There are no rules" Mr Heseltine said yesterday, meaning that any cooperative scheme between public and private sectors would be considered by a team of officials and busi-

the first fruits of the group of young financial managers appointed by Mr Heseltine last autumn to advise him on urban regeneration. Mr Heseltine and his officials are aware that the coming weekend is the anniversary of the street violence in Brixton, from which the Government's renewed interest in urban problems has

Mr Heseltine's new grants, for which bids will be asked for by September, require councils and firms to work together to "make a significant impact on the areas concerned and contribute to improving the local enonomic base". Companies must presumably expect to profit, too. The idea of levering private finance into inner urban lessly in projects comes from the tations.

Mr Michael Heseltine, United States, which the minister's advisory team has

> Leverage has already been tried on a smaller scale by Mr Heseltine. He claimed tracted to inner-city areas by spending just over £10m of public money on special

> The new grants are intended to benefit 43 areas designated under the Inner Urban Areas Act, 1978, and including Liverpool, where Mr Heseltine has invested a large amount of time in recent months, Birmingham, Manchester, Newcastle upon Type and parts of London. "I propose to invite local authorities to work up invest-

> ment projects in cooperaion with private interests," Mr Heseltine said. "To encourage the most imaginative am placing no restrictions on the type of project that can be submitted for grant. They may be industrial, commer-cial, housing or recreational schemes or a combination."
> Mr Heseltine emphasized
> that there were no "instant,
> generalized solutions" to the problems of the inner cities. His advisory team had produced a ferment of ideas. It is understood that these include big firms "sponsoring" a district and the banks encouraging business, especially those ethnic minorities, and supporting them with loans. Mr Heseltime said he refused to

Hug an Indian tree

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Almost everywhere contractors have gone beyond the legal limits of felling with the connivance of administrators who are easily paid off. So-called virgin forests, meant to remain untouched, have also been pillaged. Road building in hill areas has provided easier access for treecutters.

Contractors are important contributors to political funds. But the desperate

felling, considered a bold step in view of the strength of the contractors' lobby.

The national government has drafted a bill which, if enacted, would enable the authorities to declare forests

announce any grandiose schemes which would need

lessly inflate people's expec-

officials now in the pay of contractors. Just as importantly, they say that the tribal inhabitants of forests would condition of the forests in suffer because aspects of Himachal Pradesh has forced their traditional way of life, the state government to gatheriag fruit and firewood, impose a ban on contract would be made illegal.



Mrs Esther de Waal, wife of the Dean of Canterbury, the Very Rev Victor de Waal, pouring tea for her husband in a deanery room to be used for entertaining the Pope

Nurses refused arbitration in pay dispute

By Annabel Ferriman Nurses are now likely to be

palloted on the Government's 6.4 per cent pay offer after yesterday's refusal by health service employers to go to arbitration.

460,000 nurses met the management side of the health service in the Whitley Council yesterday and pressed for the pay dispute to go to an independent tribunal, but the talks broke down. The nurses are seeking a 12 per cent pay deal.
Mr Dacid Williams, leader of the staff side and assistant

protected areas, down to the last twig and mushroom.

But critics point out that enforcement of the law would lie with the very officials now in the pay of contractors. Its the only way of saving us all a lot of bother."

A ballot would gauge nurses' feelings on the offer and ask them what action should now be taken. The staff side of the council will meet again on April 23 to

Rest and recreation role for Canberra

communications packages used as a hospital ship and to and generators moved into provide rest and recreation Before the Elk sails tomor-

row, the 45,000-ton P and O Atlantic. cruise liner Canberra, the report yesterday suggested who sailed on the Queen that a helicopter flight deck Mary himself when she would be fitted before she carried troops during the last The Canberra,

luxury accommodation, They are not all that con-usually takes 1,750 paying cerned about the danger." passengers and could now Sources admitted yesterday take 5,000 troops if required. that HMS Illustrious, sister

Continued from page 1 lances and Royal Army
Ordnance Corps personnel. as transporters bearing mili. The ministry has also tary bridging equipment, indicated that she might be communications packages used as a houself like the communications. for tired troops on location in the uncomfortable South

Canberra's crew, in conthird biggest of its kind in trast to some, seemed quite the world, should have re enthusiastic over the prosturned from its world cruise pect. Mr. Malcolm Bailey,
before setting to sea again branch secretary of the
for the South Atlantic. One National Union of Seamen, war, said:

"British seamen are probswimming pool, bars, cinema, ably more loyal to this promenada, games deck and country than anyone else. They are not all that con-

So far the only troops ship of invincible, and now known to be sailing on her on her sea trials, is having are, in addition to the 3rd her programme accelerated battalion of the Parachute — but denied a suggestion that she was being rushed off units including Field Ambuto to the Falkland Islands.

Brittan tries to stop City jitters By Our Parliamentary

Correspondent
Mr Leon Brittan, Chief

Secretary to the Treasury, in a move clearly designed to steady the jittery nerves of the stock market and foreign exchanges, assured the Commons vesterday that the costs of the Falklands operation would require no chan-ge in the Government's basic

Mr Brittan, opening the second reading debate on the Finance Bill, may have brought some solace to the Ciry, but not to Mr Peter Shore, the shadow Chancel

or. While accepting Mr Brittan's statement that it was too early to say what expen-diture would be incurred, Mr Shore gave a warning that if the implication of Mr Brit-tan's words was that spend ing in departments other than defence would be reduced to pay for the actions to the Opposition.

Frank Johnson in the Commons

Mrs Thatcher sails into battle without an escort

time and the previous one last Thursday, the world had fatefully changed for Michael Foot seemed to Mrs Magaraet Thatcher, emerge from under Mr

and the fact showed. She had about her an almost visible aura of being alone. If things go well in the South Atlantic she will have a House full of friends, followers who were with her right from the beginning If it is fierce or worse, the corridors will be abuzz with realists who knew from the start that this adventure was madness. But yesterday wewere in that strange interlude between triumph and tragedy. Prudent men were hedging their bets.

Last Thursday she had been a Prime Minister whose fortunes were faintly, but perceptibly, turning for the better. At Hillhead, her candidate had been by no means humiliated. The opinion polls were beginning to move her way. She had had no trouble at the dispatch box that day. For an average Prime Minister's question time the

House is well-attended, but not full. Yesterday it was full. The Peers' Gallery, a good guide how much interest the Commons is arousing at any given moment, was crowded. moment, was crowded. Among their Lordships, the Among their Lorushps, the aged, the embittered, the patriots, the sympathetic, the worried, the simply curious or the half crazed all gazed down on the beleaguered commoner

She slipped into her place on the front beach while Social Service ministers meandered towards the end of their questions. There were some exchanges about the death grant. That in this month's cause among the compassionate classes. The grant is still too low apparently. Either that, or people should not have to die in order to qualify. Or it should also be paid on behalf of the living so as to make it a life grant. Who knows the precise com-plaint is? Or cares.

Mr John Silkin, the Shadow Secretary for De-fence, lowered himself into his seat on the Opposition front bench opposite her, and began silently to coze strategems. Mr Ernie Heffer squeezed in beside him.
Into the small space remaining at the top of the bench,
the Labour Chief Whip Mr.

In between yesterday's figure as the other two, Prime Ministerial question determinedly forced himdeterminedly forced him-

The frail form of Mr

Silkin's armpit. The Prime Minister rose. In the second of silence before she embarked on her first answer. the Scots left winger Mr Canavan shouted: "Resign!" The cry was taken up by the Labour benches pierced by the high cackle of another left winger, Mr Winnick. When the noise subsided, Mrs Thatcher launched into an answer to two Tories about British Leyland, Labour remained silent. The second question on the order paper was about President Reagan's visit to Britain, and would afford greater oppor-

The question about the visit came from Mr Cryer, an ally of Mr Benn's, a hater of Mrs Thatcher. She was trying to use the visit to "cover up her falling position", he said. He added that "even President Rea-gan" had called for a receive Mr Reagan. She should resign. Mrs Thatch-er welcomed Mr Reagan as "president of our senior Nato ally and the most powerful defender of liberty in the West and liberty in the world. A Tory backbencher showed his neighbour the London even-ing paper, with news of Mr Reagan's desire to mediate berween his "two allies". We are being equated with Argentina, it seemed. Omin-

Mr Foot made his first move. Were these reports true that we knew well in advance of Argetina's intentions? Mrs Thatcher in effect denied it. Several times Mr Foot persisted mes Mr root persisted.
Mrs Thatcher struggled through further denials, amid Labour glee. But her backbenchers looked on.
They believed that we did indeed know, that she had not been told, and that the rules of politics forbade saving so. saving so.

The opposition knew this too, particularly the cleve-rest or most cynical. Still, it was a good issue for them at this early stage. So there was an air of make-believe about those opening exchanges of the crisis, per-haps for the last time. Mrs Thatcher gathered up her papers quickly and last the Chamber on her own.

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Today's events.

Royal engagements

The Princess of Wales opens new Sony factory at Bridgend, S. Wales, 11.

Princess Margaret attends gala performance by Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet, of which she is President, in aid of Wells Cathedral, Hippodrome Theatre, Bristol 7 30 Princess Alice Duchess of

Gloucester, opens Rockingham Castle and the Naval Connection exhibition, Rockingham Castle, Leicestershire, 2.45.

The Duchess of Kent opens new surgery at Burnham Market, Norfolk, 3.

Princess Alexandra takes The Wakefield; Mon to Sat 12.30 to TV top ten ord High Admiral's Divisions, 5.30, Sun 2.30 to 5.30; (from Lord High Admiral's Divisions, Britannia Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, 11.30.

5.30, Sun 2.30 to today until May 16).

The World of the

Work by Craigie Aitchison, Portsmouth City Museum and Art Gallery, Museum Road, Old Portsmouth; Mon to Sun 10.30 to 5.30; (from today until May 16).

Drawings and sculpture by Ronald Rae, Rozelle House Museum, Rozelle Park, Ayr; Mon to Sat 11 to 1 and 2 to 5, Sun 2 to 5; (from today until May 2). Also sculpture by Henry Moore, from today until April 25.

Work by Frank Matcham, theatre architect and designer, Wakefield Museum, Wood Street,

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coat (7).

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6 A pine ahead (5).

Pigment both light and very

8 This devoted old husband in

young woman," said Mrs. Malaprop (9).

Chinatown, say? (5).

16 Jones as a pace-setter (9).

17 With serious intent, home

in before time (9).

19 It's free — could be a catch

20 Things usually done by

blighter to capture cat (7).

Snaps the bays, we hear (5).

22 A French artist to worship

24 Earl has one variety of gazelle

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- 1 Got tight when beaten (5). Wine's capital, attacked by those who did so (9). 9 Tow a number of rows in song for the British one (9).
- 10 Formerly, not knowing about [1 The Divine Mrs Abraham? (5). 12 What strict examiners may do
- to farm lad (9). 13 Old man gets about round Sark, etc (7). 15 In sound, a horse has carrying capacity (7).
- 18 The stripper's old problem? 20 Splendid specimen seen in the slag-heap (7)
- 21 Rails round unusually clean
- Man welcome to swell up (5). 25 Poet joins newsmen in Russia. with love (5).
- 26 Defender in a game gets the essential point (9). 27 Feel smaller, and foolish (9). 28 Get better fish, about fifty pounds (5).

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- 1 Member's out of time to do house business (9). 2 Pure, if plain (5).
 3 Eternal trouble with these
- 4 Defeat most fancied dog (7).

lew exhibitions

The Octagon, Milsom Street, Bath; Mon to Sat 10 to 4.45; (from today until May 15).

Exhibitions in progress The royal wedding dress and presents, Civic Centre, Newcastle-upon-Tyne; Mon to Sat 9.30 to 5.30, Sun 12 to 5 (until April 25).

Paintings by George C Morri son and Desmond Turner, Cleft Art Gallery, Bridge Street, Omagh, N Ireland; Mon to Sat 1 to 4, closed Wed (until April 30).

Paintings and drawings by Sue and Malciom Davies, City Museum, Market Square, Lancaster Mon to Sat 10 to 5 (until April 20).

Indian Monuments through Indian Monuments through British Eyes, 1780-1980, aquatints by the Daniells and others, Adeane Gullery, Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge; Tues to Sat 10 to 4.50, Sun 2.15 to 4.50 (until

April 25). Pioneers of Flight, Corinium Museum, Park Street, Circaccsi-er; Tues to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (until April 25).

;(until April 25).
Paintings by Rossina Couroy,
Lewis Textile Museum, Exchange
Street, Blackburn, Mon to Sat
9.30 to 6; (until April 24).
Picasso Prints Edinburgh
Printmakers' Workshop, 29
Market Street, Edinburgh; Mon
to Sat 10 to 5.30; (until April 17).
Inner Worlds, selected by Paul
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Overy, sculptures, paintings, and drawings E M Flint Gallery, Walsali; Mon Fri 10 to 6, Sat 10 to 4.45; (until April).

Drawings by Jan Ingleby and lithographs by Angela Thorpe, Oriel 31 High Street, Welshpook Mon to Sat 11 to 5; (until April) 4.45; (unul April).

Paintings by Gillian Ayres, Third Eye Centre, 350 Sauchie-hall Street, Glasgow; Toes to Sat 10 to 5.30, Sun 2 to 5.30; (until April 17). Music

Music
Concert by Scottish ChamberOrchestra, Usher Hall, Lothian, Road, Edinburgh, 7.45.
Coacert by British Railways Lincoln Male Voice Choir, Metheringhem Village Hall, Lincolnshire, 7.33.
Concert by Bouruemouth Symphony Orchestra, Colston Hall, Colston Street, Bristol, 7.30.
Gala performance by Sadlers Wells Royal Ballet, Hippodrome, Bristol, 7.30.

Peristol, 7.30.
Concert by Orchestra of St John's Smith Square, Hexagon, Reading, 7.30.

Talks, lectures Talk and demonstration on Ukrainian Easter customs and egg decorating, by Mrs Witos-zynska, Museum and Art Gallery, Chequer Road, Doncaster, 2 to

Anniversaries

Charles Burney, composer and music historian was born at Shrewsbury, 1726; and William Wordsworth at Cockermonth Wordsworth at Cockermenth, Cumberland, 1770. Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Debate on the Falkland Islands.

Lords (11): Legal Aid Bill, report

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(Amenoment) (Scotland) third reading Debate on

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Top of the Pops (13.30m) 2 Dallas (12.95m) 3 The Kenny Everett Television Escape from Zahrain (11.85m) Show (12.35m)

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2 Marti Caine (8.95m)
3 One Man and His Dog (7.40m)
4 The Mike Harding Show Nancy Astor (Wed & Sun) (6.25m)

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pletely closed in places; diversions.
Midlands: A5: Width restrictions at Kilsby and Cowellbend, Northamptonshire, A57: Roadworks and temporary signals at Snake Pass, Derbyshire, A1: Only hard shoulder open southbound between junction 26 (Nottingham) and Trowell service area.
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Scotland: M90: Closed north-

bound between junctions 5 (Glenrothes) and 6 (Kinross); diversions. M8: Lane closures between junction 15 (Townhead) and 12 (Stirling). A93: Temporary signals at Dundee Road, Perth.

The papers "If Lord Carrington

devoted more time to the Paikland Islands and less to the Common Market, he might still common hearket, ne might stu-be Foreign Secretary today," says the Daily Mirror, but the paper goes on to urge the Labour-Party to reverse its decision to leave Europe, which "could damage hopes for a prosperous

The Wall Street Journal said The Wall Street Journal said vesterday, that looking at attitudes to defence by past Labour governments and even some Conservative ministers, it is understandable why Argentina thought "Britain would be an easy mark".

"The US has a strong interest in seeing British administration restored to the Falklands", said the Washington Post, "and so do many other nations, some of which recognize that interest and some of which do not". "Lord Carrington came into politics as an aristocrat and left it with the dignity of a lord", Le

politics, as an aristocrat and left it with the dignity of a lord", Le Monde says, "but his realism and professionalism will be greatly missed in European affairs".

The Suddentsche Zeitung said Lord Carrington will be greatly missed after "Falkland fever" dies down; the Stuttgart Zeitung said "Thatther has lost the most successful pillar of her team".

Norwegian mewstengers be

Norwegian newspapers re-flected mixed views on the Falklands trisis: The Socialist Oslo Arbeiderhladet said: "Bitter it must be to admit, but Britain must now consider the Falklands as lost, the Conservative Morganisate feels "the Islas Malvinas are located within Argentias are located within Argentias." nas are located within Argenti-na's sphere of interest and should become a part of Argenti-na", but the Christian Demo-cratic Yaart fand places blame for the conflict squarty "on the colourful epaulettes of the Argentine generals". Argentine generals".

ing SW Ireland, with associated troughs crossing most parts of the British Isles.

Weather

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Wales: Cloudy with outbreaks of an heavy in places, becoming dries; and brighter, wind SW, moderate to tresh; max temp 12C (54F).

Lake District, NE England Borders, SW Scotland, Glasgow Argyli: Misty with fog patches at first, rain spreeding from S. Wind, variable, light; max temp 11C (52F). Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Central Highlands: Cloudy with outbreaks of rain, samy hervals developing; wind variable, light; max temp 9C (48F).

Moray Firth, NE, NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Sunny intervals. Wales: Cloudy with outbreaks of

Orkney, Shettand: Sunny intervals, becoming cloudier with outbreaks of rain later, wind variable, light, becoming NE; max temp 8C (487).

Outlook for tomorrow and Friday:

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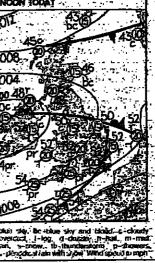
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